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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Mission To Moscow

THE Chou En-lai mission to Moscow momentarily turns the spotlight on international affairs from Europe and the Middle East to the Orient, and the arrival of the imposing Peking delegation in Russia has, not without reason, started a train of speculation as to the main purpose of the mission. It is part of the theatrical technique of Communist politicians to lend drama to top level conferences by shrouding preparations in absolute secrecy and then to make an overnight announcement of the arrival of visiting delegations. The current visit to Moscow of Chou En-lai and his colleagues, however, was not altogether unexpected. It was obviously forecasted in an agreement reached in 1950 which stipulated that subjects such as the future of Port Dairen, Port Arthur and the Manchurian railway should be discussed between Russia and Communist China either before the end of 1952 or shortly after a Japanese peace treaty had been signed. At face value, therefore, the Moscow meeting is the fulfilment of that agreement.

It must be confessed that the composition of the Chinese delegation is significant. The presence of military advisers suggests that subjects other than industrial and economic aid by Russia to China are on the agenda. It is unlikely that these Chinese militarists have gone to Moscow to discuss any new line of policy to be followed at the Korean cease-fire talks, for if the Communists had decided to break the Panmunjom stalemate this could readily be achieved by an exchange of views between the Kremlin and Peking through normal channels. The presence of Chinese military advisers in the Moscow delegation suggests either a desire on the part of Peking to obtain assurances of more Soviet military aid for the purposes of renewing hostilities in Korea on a large scale, or to establish a new, long-term military alliance between Communist China and Russia which would become effective if and when the East-West cold war resolves itself into military hostilities. The second alternative appears as the most likely at this time, particularly as Russia must possess assurances about her rights to the use of Port Arthur in the event of a world war.

THE economic aspects of the Moscow conference are rather more obvious. The Korean war and the consequent economic blockade which has been imposed by the United Nations has, without doubt, left China short of essential commodities, notably raw materials and means for developing much-needed industrialisation. Clearly Peking is turning, cap in hand, to Russia for assistance in making good the serious deficiencies. And Peking has good reason to feel worried about the situation in Manchuria, over which she continues to possess but token control. The resources of Manchuria are vital to the future of Communist China. To date she has had neither the means nor the opportunity of exploiting that area to her own benefit. It may be assumed that Manchuria will figure high in the list of subjects to be discussed in Moscow. And it may also be safely forecast that Peking will obtain no substantial concessions without making big sacrifices to Soviet desires which clearly are concentrated on things military.

Wedding Of The Month



Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary, and his bride, formerly Miss Clarissa Spencer-Churchill, leave Caxton Hall after their wedding last week. The bride's gown was of lilac Shantung silk with a finely pleated skirt. On her shoulder she wore a large spray of orchids.—London Express Photograph.

Key Witness Refuses To Aid Police

Peyruis, Aug. 18. The key witness, M. Gustave Dominici, near whose farm the British Drummond family were murdered, has refused to take part in tonight's police reconstruction of the triple murders.

Dominici, grilled by the police five times, who insist that he knows more than he will say, was asked today to take part in the reconstruction drama.

"I absolutely refuse," he said. "If I am wanted, there are plenty of gendarmes 1.75 metres tall."

This is the estimated height of a man seen by a lorry driver who unknowingly passed the bodies of Sir Jack Drummond, his wife and child forty minutes after the presumed time of the murder. It is also Dominici's height.

Tonight the driver, Lucien Due, will again take his stand along the road, headlights blazing. The police planned that three men of similar build, one of them Dominici, would come into the passing glare of the lights for Due to say who most resembled the man he saw on August 4.

BIG HANDICAP

The reconstruction will still be held.

Inquiries have handicapped in this area, largely inhabited by Corsicans and Sicilians, by the traditional Corsican attitude that "a murder concerns only three parties—the killer, the victim and the police."

A farmer living about six miles from this town, today offered evidence which might help to solve the case, the police disclosed tonight.

The farmer told them he caught a "suspicious looking character" roaming round his farm in a slouch hat and shorts. He ran away when the farmer tried to speak to him.

The Chief Inspector of Police has summoned all available police to comb the area, where the man disappeared, over a 12-mile radius. Police dogs have been taken to the farm from Marseilles.—Reuter.

Quake Causes Panic

Benevento, Aug. 18. A strong earthquake rocked this south Italian city today, causing widespread panic.

There were no reports of damages or casualties.—Associated Press.

Purpose Of Sino-Soviet Conference

RE-WELDING OF 1950 AXIS

Policy Advisers Advance Views

London, Aug. 19. British Far East policy advisers predicted tonight that the strengthening of the Moscow-Peking axis would emerge from the Sino-Russian talks which opened in Moscow today.

Indications from intelligence reports were that the Kremlin and Peking were out to re-weld the Axis created two years ago in the 30 years treaty of friendship and to align more closely their policies on the Far East.

The meetings were also believed to have been prompted by growing uncertainties and existing differences over the Korean war. Both sides were understood to have reached the point where close consultation was inevitable before a final decision is made on the Korean issue.

Peking was expected to seek in this first major diplomatic move since the conclusion of the alliance with Moscow a base for closer co-operation with the Soviet in the political, military and economic fields.

Much significance was attached here to the demonstrative reception accorded by the Kremlin to the representative Chinese delegation which was headed by the Premier and Foreign Minister, Mr. Chou En-lai, on their arrival in Moscow on Sunday.

The meeting will be followed early next month by a "Peace Congress" in Peking which is expected to be a major demonstration for Communism in Asia and for freedom from "colonial domination".

British Far Eastern policy advisers believe that not all is well between Moscow and Peking and that serious differences have troubled the alliance in the past on a number of problems, including the Korean war in which China was at times considered here to be a reluctant party.

The view held in official quarters here not long ago that the Peking regime of Mao Tse-tung would default on Moscow and might eventually deviate into a kind of Eastern Titoism has been abandoned. Government quarters as well as students of Chinese Communism now assume that the alliance between Russia and Red China, however sensitive, will continue for quite a while because neither side has any alternative.

ON "PROBATION"

Mao Tse-tung, put on "probation" by the Kremlin, is considered to have proved himself a powerful factor even for Stalin who, wisely, is believed to be extremely careful in avoiding the impression of Russian tutelage over China or of interference in inner Chinese affairs.

Available evidence is said to be pointing to the fact that both need each other for the time being, both claim that they have some enemies and both claim to fight colonial domination which may prove a powerful link for the time being.

Scanty reports on the current Moscow meeting have led authoritative quarters to believe that the following issues will be considered:

- 1.—The Korean war and possible new moves in the current diplomatic efforts for a solution.
- 2.—Future Soviet military aid to China and the equipping of her growing forces beyond current supplies in the Korean fighting.
- 3.—Economic aid for China's five-year plan which Russia undertook under the 1950 treaty but apparently has not supplied adequately.
- 4.—The return to China of the Russian-controlled Manchurian Changchun railway, of Port Arthur and Port Dairen which the Soviet undertook under the 1950 pact.

PORT ARTHUR

The Soviet may try to circumvent the return of strategically important Port Arthur. The 1950 pact provides that in the event of aggression by Japan or any power allied to Japan, Russia and China, on the latter's proposal, may jointly use the Port Arthur base in the interest of military operations.

Shocking Holiday Tragedy

Freshwater Bay, Wales, Aug. 18.

A bruised and bleeding 12-year-old boy came out of the sea here today to tell of a holiday disaster, which probably killed his father, mother and two sisters.

He was Anthony Sweeney, who with his brother Robert, 21, are believed to be the only survivors of a family of six taking their holiday on a motor cruiser.

Anthony said that the engine of their motor cruiser had failed and the boat was dashed on the rocks by heavy seas.

About the cruiser were the two boys, their sisters, Daphne aged 10 and Patricia nine, and the parents.

The wreckage of the boat was found on the rocks and nearby the body of a man, believed to be the father. The body of Patricia was also found.—Reuter.

CHURCHILL SUMMONS CABINET

London, Aug. 18.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, today summoned the Cabinet to meet on Wednesday to discuss in an extraordinary session the explosive situation in Iran and Anglo-American differences on how to remedy it.

The Cabinet will also consider a report on the Lymouth flood disaster to determine emergency measures and aid for the victims.

American pressure for speedy moves is understood to be among the reasons which prompted Mr. Churchill to call his Ministers for a second review of the Iranian problem since the Parliamentary recess two weeks ago.

Differences between Britain and the United States over policy toward the Iranian Prime Minister, Dr. Mohammed Mossadegh, and the difficulties between London and Tehran have delayed British action on the latter's latest offer for a resumption of the oil negotiations.

ANXIETY SHARED

The Cabinet will consider its next move in the Iranian quarrel but may postpone a final decision until the return from his honeymoon in Portugal of the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden.

Anxiety that the situation in Iran may get out of hand and lead to a Communist coup is shared by Britain and the United States and both are agreed that remedies must be found to secure an independent and stable Iran which remains friendly toward the West.

But there is a difference of opinion on how this can be best achieved.

Government quarters here are reluctant to discuss the issue and are minimising differences with the United States. Foreign Office spokesman said today that both Governments are now in full agreement on aims even if they are still at variance over the method of approach.

Britain is reluctant to negotiate with Dr. Mossadegh under alleged pressure and threats. Exchanges in Tehran at the week-end with Dr. Mossadegh are said to have been "unfriendly".

ONLY BARRIER?

Anglo-American differences have been represented as being caused by Washington's belief that Dr. Mossadegh is the only sure barrier against a Communist coup. For that reason the United States is said to be advocating British concessions and immediate economic aid on a small scale to enable Iran to recover sufficiently to tackle a long-term settlement.

The British view is that such short-term unconditional measures will only prolong the agony of the country without achieving the necessary stabilisation. Nor is Britain convinced that Dr. Mossadegh is the right man to halt possible Communist upsurges.—United Press.

Clash Between Funeral Mourners And Police

Munich, Aug. 18.

Police and demonstrators clashed near the cemetery here today as the funeral of Philipp Auerbach, former Bavarian Jewish leader, who committed suicide after being convicted of fraud and embezzlement, drew to a close.

Police said the trouble started when a plain clothes detective tried to confiscate one of the placards protesting against the Auerbach verdict carried by the demonstrators.

Two hundred policemen, who had been held in readiness, immediately approached with water hoses. They occupied the cemetery for a short time.

The police report said the procession, which followed the coffin to the cemetery, had neither been planned nor approved by the Jewish authorities. It had been broken up without incident.

An official police summary said police desisted "for certain reasons" from breaking up the demonstration, even though it was an illegal procession with placards grossly insulting to a court.

A plain clothes man stepped in when an insulting banner was unfurled.

DETECTIVE ATTACKED

The report claimed the detective was attacked by about 100 people, who forced him back into the cemetery and set about him with wooden sticks, flower pots and other hard objects.

He was Maurice Weinberger, Acting Chairman of Bavarian Jewish Cultural community, accused the detective of having caused the incident by his "rash" grab for the banner.

Reporters found that mourners at the funeral were of all religious beliefs and social levels—all people who had been helped by the Bavarian Restitution Office, which Auerbach headed.

Flowers blanketed the grave included wreaths from German trade unions, the Socialist Party and the Jewish American aid organisations.

Protest banners carried by Auerbach sympathisers at the funeral read "Down with the Nazi Dryfus trial" and "Down with the Nazi Judge Mulzer" (Auerbach's counsel had accused the presiding judge, Dr. Josef Mulzer, of having been a Nazi).

WEEPING CROWD

Thousands of Jews and non-Jews alike filed weeping past his tomb in the synagogue during the night. The glass doors burst under the onrush of mourners. Thousands more followed his coffin to the graveside.

Auerbach, 45, ex-chief of the Bavarian Restitution Office, was sentenced to two-and-a-half years' imprisonment by a German court here on charges of fraud, embezzlement, accepting bribes and attempted blackmail.

He took an overdose of sleeping tablets the next day, explaining in a letter that he had all faith in justice and did not wish to be a burden on his friends and family.

MORE SOUTH AFRICANS HELD

Johannesburg, Aug. 18.

Police—lightening their crackdown on South Africa's spreading passive resistance campaign—on Monday arrested 302 non-whites on charges of breaking the Union's race segregation laws. This is the largest number reported arrested in a single day.

The campaign—backed by the African National Congress and the South African Indian Congress—is being waged in protest against the Nationalist government's race segregation laws.—Associated Press.

7 DIE FROM FOOD POISONING

Berlin, Aug. 18.

Seven children died from food poisoning and 270 are ill, after eating bad sausages in East Berlin holiday camps on Saturday, West Berlin papers reported today.

Fire brigades were called to help transport sick children to hospitals, the reports said.—Reuter.

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General Mark Clark, Commander-in-Chief U.N. Command, discusses front-line bunker positions with General James Van Fleet, commander of the Eighth Army, and Brig-Gen. Wayne Smith, during his recent visit to the battle front. (Express photo)

Horse Versus Horse Power

Wellington, N.Z., Aug. 18.
A horse landed unhurt on the roof of a car in a collision between the two of them in a Wellington street.
The horse and his Maori rider ambled off unaffected, leaving the car's windshield smashed and its engine badly damaged.—Reuter.

Curious—And Nearly Found Out

Vienna, Aug. 18.
A 16-year-old butcher boy nearly killed himself here because he wanted to feel "what hanging was like".
The youth, whose name was withheld, saw a rope hanging from the slaughter-house ceiling, made a knot and put his head through "for fun's sake", he told police.
At that moment he slipped, fell and was found hanging by his master's wife.
He was cut down unconscious but none the worse and is being detained for psychological examination.
"I did not want to commit suicide but simply to find out what a rope felt like around my neck," he said.—Reuter.

Huge Tank Being Mass Produced

Washington, Aug. 18.
A secret American heavy tank, weighing about 55 tons, is now being mass produced by the Chrysler factories at Newark, New Jersey, it was learned today.
The American Army hopes that this tank will provide an answer to the latest version of Soviet Joseph Stalin Tank Mark Three displayed by the Russians this year during parades in Moscow.
The new American tank is armed with a 120 gun of high muzzle velocity and is very fast and manoeuvrable for its size. New alloys have also been used to give its armour extra resistance.—France-Press.

SUDAN RUSHING ELECTIONS

Cairo, Aug. 18.
The Government of Sudan is rushing preparations to hold General Elections in November in accordance with the new Sudan Constitution, Egyptian newspapers reported today from Khartoum.

The papers said electoral laws would be announced next month and added, that, according to present plans, Sudan's new Parliament expected to be convened in the first week of December.
The delegation of Sudan's independence—Umma Party, returned to Khartoum last week and after announcing a "postponement until a convenient time" of direct Egyptian-Sudanese talks on Sudan's political future and relations with Egypt.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman, commenting on the Egyptian Government's acceptance of British Ambassador Sir Ralph Stevenson's new credentials—addressed tersely to "King Ahmed Fuad the Second"—said this move represented "only a temporary solution" of the knotty problem of protocol resulting from Egypt's claim to sovereignty over the Sudan.
He added that it did not stop Egypt from continuing to demand from Britain and other countries recognition of the title as "King of Egypt and the Sudan."—Reuter.

Soviet Protest To Persia

London, Aug. 18.
Russia asked Persia today to find and punish those responsible for plundering the information office of the Soviet Union in Teheran last Wednesday, Teheran Radio reported tonight.
The broadcast, heard in London, said the Soviet Charge d'Affaires handed a memorandum on the attack on the office to the Persian Foreign Minister.
Many Fascist elements were recognised among the attackers, the memorandum said.—Reuter.

FIFTEEN MEN TO BE REAL RULERS OF COUNTRY

Stockholm, Aug. 18.
A ban on Presidents now in force in Poland puts American democracy once more up on East European Communism.

Presidents are banned under Poland's new Soviet-model Constitution, which went into operation, according to Warsaw radio, on July 23, Poland's National Day.

Under the Constitution, the President's office is to be replaced by a Praesidium, or Power Trust, of 15 men. The Praesidium will be chosen by the new Sejm (Parliament) after the Parliamentary elections next November. Until then, President Boleslaw Bierut will remain in office.

As in the Soviet Union, the 15 men of the Praesidium will be the real rulers of the country. Although chosen by the Sejm, they have full powers to override it.

The Constitution states that Sejm is the "highest state authority" and the maker of laws. But it also decrees that the Praesidium shall interpret them with binding effect on the whole community. Thus, Parliament passes laws as in a Western democracy. The 15 men in the Praesidium, however, decide what they mean.

Moreover, the Praesidium declares war, signs international agreements and introduces states of national emergency if necessary.

Many Western Presidents can do these things subject to the continuation of Parliament; but the Polish and Soviet praesidia are not subject to Parliament. They are a law unto themselves. The Polish Praesidium will consist of a President, two vice-presidents, a Secretary and eleven other members. They will almost certainly be members of the Communist party since the Constitution is framed to make the party the ruling caste as in the Soviet Union.

IN THEORY
For example, the Poles in theory are granted the right of free association so dear to Western democrats. But they may form political associations only under the guidance of the Communist party. The Communist party—or United Worker's Party as it is officially called in Poland—will only allow the formation of political associations supporting its own policy.

That is why the National Front (a mixture of the Fascist, Democratic and Socialist parties) is only a shadow organisation of the Communist party. In the same way, the Constitution guarantees citizens the right to unite in public organisations—but only such public organisations as political associations, trade unions, associations of working peasants, co-operative societies. All these are either State run or run by the Communist party.

Soviet Russian influence on Poland's new Constitution is further shown by its territorial clauses. It confirms Russia's annexation of Poland's Eastern territories, invaded by the Red Army in 1939 when Russia and Germany were fighting as Allies against Poland.

It also frankly admits that it was Russian help which enabled the Communists to gain control of Poland. Thus the preamble says: "The historic victory of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics over fascism has liberated the soil of Poland, enabled the Polish working people to achieve power and Poland to be reborn as a nation within just frontiers."

WISE COUNSEL
The full text of the new Constitution is available here, but it is difficult to discover what the Poles think of it. Comments in the Government-controlled press is naturally favourable.
The new Constitution was first drafted by a special commission with President Bierut as its most important member. The text was then published in the newspapers and stuck up on factory and office walls.

Radio Medical Treatment For Air Travellers

Rome, Aug. 18.
First medical consultant's service by radio, for air passengers of all nations.
Doctors experienced in maladies that afflict air passengers will always be available at a radio listening post.
Major airlines throughout the world, and all those travelling in the neighbourhood of Italy, have been told how to contact this station.
The airlines have also been provided with questionnaires designed to enable the captain or hostess of an aircraft to describe symptoms precisely.
The doctor in attendance at the listening post will at once flash back advice on treatment.—Reuter.

Burma's Big Deficit

Rangoon, Aug. 18.
The Government of Burma has made no budget provision for repayment of Burma's debt to India of over 480 million rupees, Mr U Tin, the Finance Minister, told the Burmese Parliament today.

He was introducing the 1952-53 budget which, he said, would show a deficit of 200 million rupees.
A Government of India official would visit Burma in October for preliminary discussions of the debt to India, he added.

Likewise, no budget provision had been made for repayment of Burma's debt of about 360 million rupees to Britain, according to Mr U Tin. The Government proposed to send a mission to London to discuss this debt.—Reuter.

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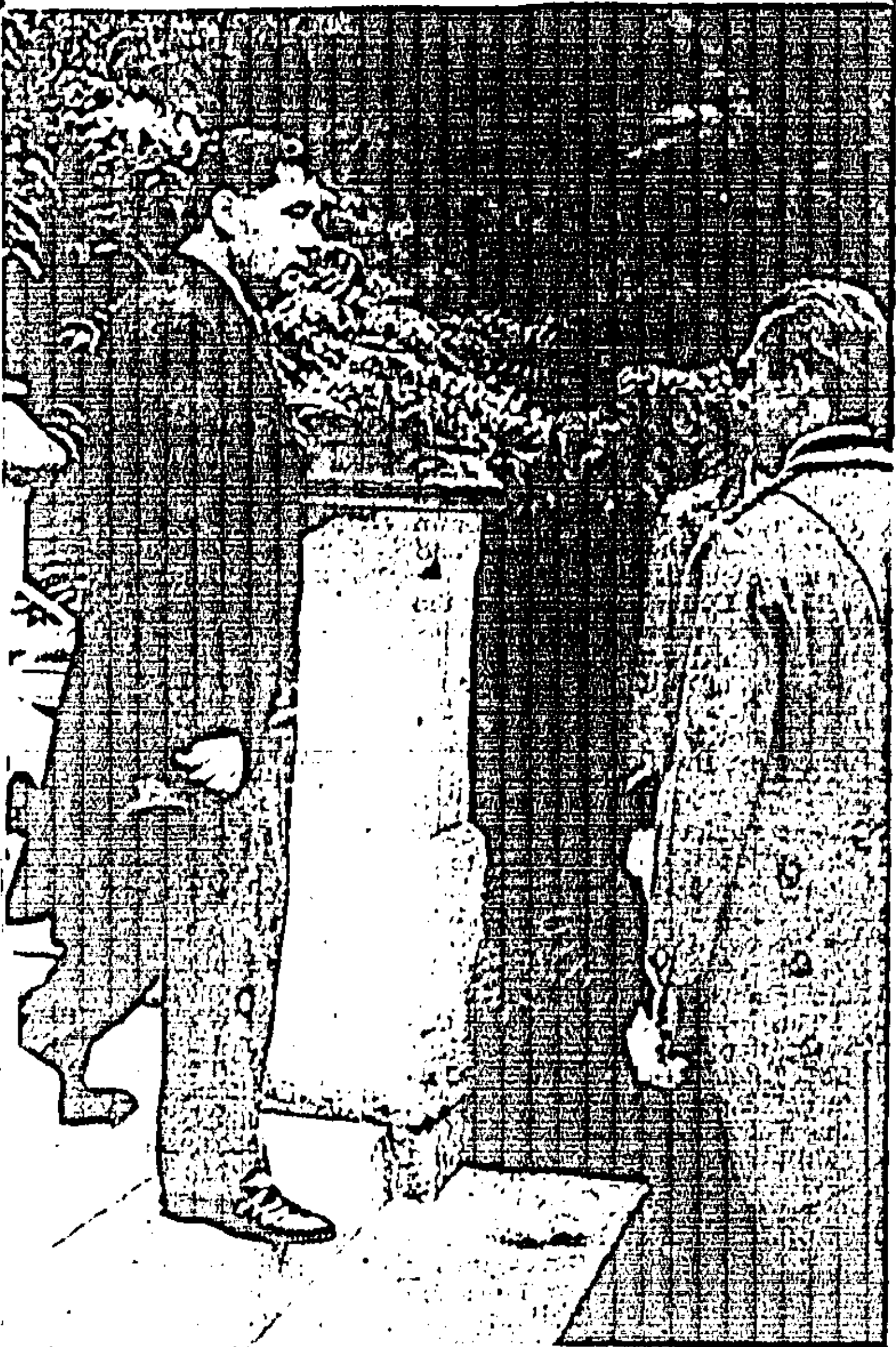


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Gromyko Visits Palace



Mr Gromyko, new Russian Ambassador in London, leaving his Embassy to present his Letters of Credence. Gromyko followed the usual custom by driving to Buckingham Palace in a State Landau.

East-West Trade Talks Abandoned

Geneva, Aug. 18.

East-West trade talks planned by the Economic Commission for Europe for September 9, will not take place, because some major trading countries have not responded to the proposal.

The executive secretary of the ECE, Mr Gunnar Myrdal, announced this here today, in reply to questions from correspondents.

He said that in accordance with the Commission's resolution last March on East-West trade, he would continue exploring with governments the possibility of talks at some other time.

The "major trading countries" on the East are Russia, Poland, Czechoslovakia and Hungary.

On the Western side, the only country which has not replied is Portugal.

It was the Eastern countries, which originally urged East-West talks.

Mr Myrdal consulted Western European countries and it is

understood that they are ready to have the conference if he thought it could be brought about.

Mr Myrdal sent out invitations on July 1, fixing August 5 as the deadline for replies.

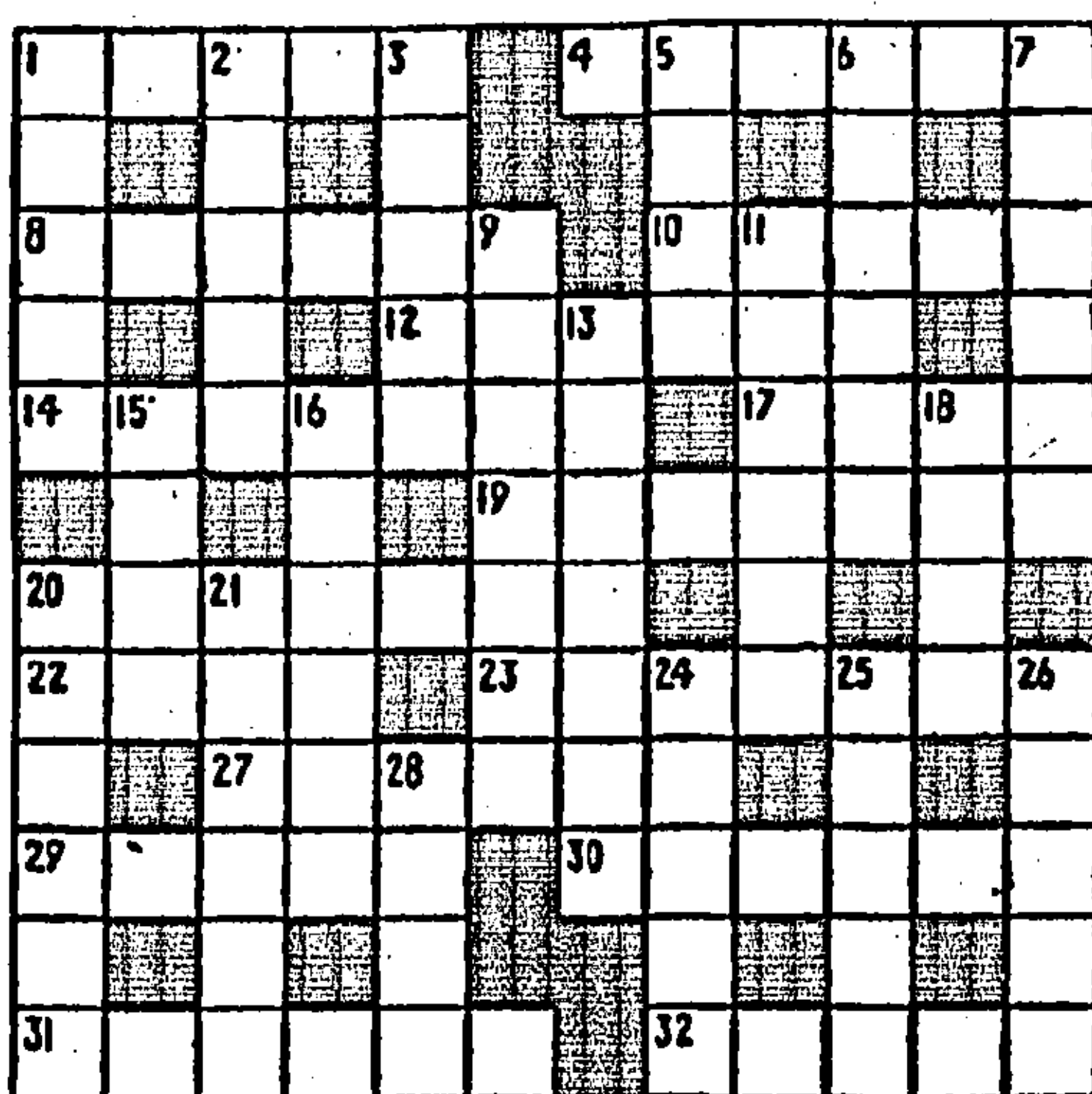
NO REPLIES

Nothing, however, came from any Communist country.

A cable was sent to Moscow reminding the Russians that it is understood that unless they, as the chief trading country of the East, intimated that they were accepting the conference, it would have to be called off.

—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

DOWN

- 1 Author of fables (5).
4 Royal rank (6).
8 Awkward customer (6).
10 Played a part (5).
12 Extreme fright (6).
14 Child (7).
17 Cereal (4).
20 Shows (7).
22 Not new (4).
23 Experimental (7).
27 Avar (6).
29 Jollification (6).
30 "Again" (5).
31 Railway track for shunting (6).
32 Reposes (5).
- 1 Vary (5).
2 Flight (5).
3 Greek philosopher (5).
5 Bellow (4).
6 Kind of acid (6).
7 Whirlpools (6).
9 Income (7).
11 Angle (6).
13 Retribution (7).
15 Cupid (4).
16 Conundrum (6).
18 Grant (4).
20 Explicative (6).
21 Aggroached (6).
24 Purport (5).
25 Fetters (5).
26 Garb (5).
28 Spare (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD. Across: 3 Strangle, 8 Henk, 9 Delicate, 11 Prepared, 13 Test, 18 Acheived, 18 Directed, 19 Brow, 21 Silenced, 23 Radiator, 29 West, 31 Succeeded. Down: 1 Chop, 2 Pare, 4 Tier, 5 Avid, 6 Grave, 7 Elect, 9 Dared, 10 Lever, 12 Bear, 14 Guede, 16 Vail, 17 Dater, 19 Barbs, 20 Elder, 21 Saps, 22 Lame, 23 Crop, 24 Duty.

GURION THROWS OUT PEACE FEELER

Egypt—And General Naguib—Invited To Bury The Hatchet
No Real Differences Between The Two Countries

Monopoly Practice Allegations

Washington, Aug. 18.
The White House agreed today to release a long-suppressed Federal Trade Commission report on alleged monopoly practices of international oil cartels.

Suppression of the report, on orders of the State Department, caused disagreement in Congress, after word leaked out that it had been written and withheld.

A special Senate investigations subcommittee, looking into censorship practices in government, has said that it will probe into the reasons why the oil report was kept secret for many months.

The decision to make it public was announced by Senator John Sparkman of Alabama, Democratic nominee for the President and Chairman of the Senate Small Business Committee.

Mr Sparkman said the report was being printed and it probably will be available for distribution by the end of this week.

He said President Truman had finally approved release of the document.—Reuter.

Bail Given To Alleged Aide In Mow Case

Mexico City, Aug. 18.
Oliver M. Kisch, another American arrested by the Mexican authorities in the case of the Chinese general accused of embezzling US\$25,000,000 from Chiang Kai-shek's government, was released in a \$1,250 bail today.

Blonde Agnes Kelley, a model who has been Lt. Gen. P. T. Mow's secretary since 1947, was released on Saturday after eight days of confinement in the same guard house with her boss. She said she would "stick around" to help defend him.

Kisch, 53-year-old California foreign affairs expert and husband of novelist Margaret Shedd, pleaded innocent to a charge of helping Mow enter Mexico illegally last January.

In a short formal declaration, Kisch said he did not find out that Mow was an illegal entrant until four months after he first met him in Nogales.—United Press.

Was British In Germany 76 Years

Berlin, Aug. 18.
Willie Mills died here today and there will be black flags to Sunday's race cards at the Mariendorf track, the Berlin arena for trotting races.

Strangely, the Germans will be mourning a Briton who refused to become a German.

Yet Willie Mills, Germany's top trotting-race trainer between the wars, lived his 76 years among them.

Son of a Dublin veterinary surgeon, and Dublin-born himself, Willie went to Germany as a baby. His father, Anthony Mills, had opened a trotting track at Hamburg.

None of the Millses ever went back, except on visits.

"But," said Willie's brother Johnny, "not one of us ever thought of becoming German. And, boys and girls, there were 15 of us altogether."

"In the first war the Germans interned all of us who were of age."

"In the Hitler war some of us were arrested again. Willie was the smartest. He told the Nazis they could not touch him—he was Irish."

Calcutta, Aug. 18.
The West Bengal Government may shortly ban the shooting of all wild animals and birds to prevent their extinction.

Five sanctuaries have now been set up for protecting wild life in the area.

These will shelter the rapidly disappearing one-horned Indian rhinoceros, elephants, buffaloes, 12-horned deer, and several species of tigers, cats and birds.—Reuter.

Jerusalem, Aug. 18.
The Israeli Premier, Ben Gurion, today invited Egypt to make peace with Israel and declared that of all the Arab States, Egypt "is the country with whom there are no differences."

He blamed the Egyptian invasion of Palestine four years ago on ex-King Farouk and said "we can accept General Naguib's evidence that he opposed the Egyptian war in Palestine."

His statement was made while introducing a Parliamentary bill extending army service from two to two-and-a-half years. He wished success to General Naguib, author of Egypt's recent military coup.

Commenting on recent upheavals in neighbouring countries, Premier Ben Gurion stated that "the events in Egypt should be seen favourably. It is possible that we and Egypt have no real differences. An extensive desert separates the two countries and there is no economic territorial or other conflict between our two countries."

The Premier claimed that co-operation with Israel would have helped Egypt to overcome her social and economic problems.

Premier Ben Gurion declared "Israel is interested to have Egypt really independent and powerful."

"We do not desire revenge either for the Egyptian treatment of Israel 4,000 years ago in the days of the Pharaohs, or four years ago during the Egyptian invasion of Palestine," he stated.

Referring to the Anglo-Egyptian dispute, the Premier pointed out that Israel had not attempted to exploit the conflict for an attack or military action.—Reuter.

PEACE NOT NEAR

Mr. Ben Gurion said there were certainly elements in the Arab countries which desired peace with Israel, but they were not often heard and, speaking generally, the prospects of peace were not near.

Both the Eastern and Western Powers were concerned with peaceful Middle East, Mr Ben Gurion said, because peace between the Arabs and Israel would consolidate world peace and could contribute to a real independence and prosperity for the Arab states.

But the situation in the Arab States did not augur well for the approach of peace. "On the contrary we must remember that the Arab rulers wish to reopen the war with us and intend the physical annihilation of Israel," he said.

Communist deputies tried in vain to shout Mr Ben Gurion down during his reference to General Naguib and caused an uproar throughout Parliament by sarcastically shouting "Long live Naguib, murderer of the workers" and "Naguib is cleared because he is an agent of the Americans."

General comment on the Premier's speech here is that Israel is making overtures to Egypt though hitherto it had been thought that Jordan would be the first Arab country to sign a peace treaty with Israel.

Some political circles believe that the speech follows explanations made to Israel on the real meaning of the Egyptian upheaval and on the trend of its new leaders. Other observers, however, maintain that Mr Ben Gurion's illusions of a possible rapprochement with Egypt were no more than feelers and experienced observers discount speculation about secret contacts with representatives of the new Egyptian regime.—Reuter.

ISRAELI PROTEST

Jerusalem, Aug. 18.
Israel is to protest to the United Nations Security Council against alleged threats by the Syrian Army chief, Colonel Shishakli.

Colonel Shishakli is reported as saying there was no place in the Middle East for both Arabs and Jews and that Israel would be pushed into the sea.

The Israeli Foreign Ministry announced tonight that its protest would be against what it called a serious violation of the armistice agreement.

Similar protests would be made to the United Nations General Assembly and to Lieutenant-General William Riley, United Nations Chief of Staff in Palestine.

Israel is also to ask for a meeting of the Syrian-Israeli Mixed Armistice Commission to discuss Colonel Shishakli's remarks.

(According to Reuter reports from Cairo on Saturday, the Egyptian newspaper Al-Ahram,

Girl Crashes 90ft To Cliff Ledge

London, Aug. 18.
Miss Molly Gillett, 20-year-old Dover cinema usherette, stumbled and fell from the path along the 90ft-high Shakespeare Cliff.

She crashed to a narrow ledge, 80ft. down, and lay there unconscious.

Then holidaymakers watched as Leading Fireman Fred Toms, 38, and Fireman Harold Wade, 48, were lowered down the sheer face of the cliff. At the foot were jagged rocks.

John Cook, of Abertillery, one of the watching holidaymakers, said: "The two men did one of the bravest things I have ever seen. Before the senior fire officer had time to detail any of his men for the job these two stepped forward."

"When they reached the ledge they had to lift the girl on to a canvas stretcher, then hold it clear of the cliff-side, as they were dragged up. Their hands and arms were torn and bruised when they reached the top."

Miss Gillett, who lives in Granville-street, was in the Royal Victoria Hospital still unconscious.

Firemen Toms and Wade went back to duty.

No Change In Plan For Naval Manoeuvres

Oslo, Aug. 18.
A spokesman of Admiral Sir Patrick Brindley, Allied Forces Northern Region Command said here today that there has been no change in original plans for "Operation Mainbrace," the extensive sea manoeuvres in Northern Europe waters next month.

Operation Mainbrace will be conducted under Adm. Brindley's Command.

The spokesman characterised as "not true" reports from Paris to the effect that the American naval units in Operation Mainbrace will do their utmost not to provoke the Russians in the Baltic Sea area.

Sir Patrick's headquarters have checked the origin of these reports, he said, and "no responsible sources" in Paris know anything about them.

The Paris reports had as their reputed source a SHAFB spokesman who would not be quoted by name. SHAFB denied all comment, saying all information must come from Sir Patrick's Command.—Associated Press.

Copyright Laws Under Discussion

Geneva, Aug. 18.
The representatives of 47 nations began a three-week session here today during which they hope to adopt a treaty giving uniform international copyright protection to writers, artists and composers.

The basic question today is how long after publication the author should continue to have copyright protection.

Most European countries adhere to the Berne convention which extends protection 50 years after the death of the author.

The American convention, advocated by the United States and most South American countries, gives protection only up to 28 years after the date of publication.—United Press.



Prince George vonund Zu Sachsen (left) grandson of the Saxon King Friedrich August III, with his fiancée, Margarit Lucas, of the British forces in Germany. The Prince, who has been working as a labourer, met his future wife on a train and proposed two hours later. (Express photo)

Tito Talk With Big Three

Belgrade, Aug. 18.
Marshal Tito received the French, British and American Ministers to Yugoslavia—M. Philippe Baudet, Sir Ivo Mallet, and Mr George Allen—at the summer residence today and they stayed to lunch.

The Yugoslav news agency, Tanjug, said that the Yugoslav Acting Foreign Minister Leo Matos and General Velibit, Yugoslav Envoy to Italy were present.—Reuter.

Sordid New York Case Begins

New York Aug. 18.
A Grand Jury today heard Samuel Chapman, 58, a dress manufacturer, and Minot Jelke, 22, heir to a fortune, accused separately of supplying "call girls" to their associates.

A number of beautiful models and minor television actresses, alleged by the Prosecution to be prostitutes, were also being charged or were detained as material witnesses.

The girls were said to have charged up to \$500 a night and Jelke was alleged to have shared their earnings.

Jelke's lawyer today issued a statement saying the Prosecution's office was interpreting as illegal procuring of women if a man invited a woman to a party or introduce her to a friend and if "thereafter" any relationship develops.

Officials said the Jelke and Chapman cases were not directly connected.

The Assistant District Attorney, Mr Lohr, said Chapman procured Nancy Hawkins, 23, and sent her to a hotel suite to entertain three businessmen for \$500.—Reuter.

Fortress Home Sold To Rancher

Santa Ana, Calif., Aug. 18.
A \$500,000 fortress home, built by the Maharajah of Indore in 1941 to protect his infant daughter from kidnappers, was auctioned yesterday for \$40,500 to Major Edward Hall of the Air Force, a rancher here.

The home was sold by the Maharajah's divorced wife, Mrs Margaret Lawler Holkar, 44, whom he married in 1937 after she nursed him during a serious illness. Under the terms of their divorce in 1943, the former Los Angeles nurse won the house and custody of the girl, Usha, whom she adopted.

Usha was educated here and in Laguna Beach and is now at school in Massachusetts.

Mrs Holkar, who as Maharajani once helped him rule over 2,000,000 persons in Indore, said she regretted leaving but was told by her doctor to seek a drier climate.—United Press.

United States Unable To Instigate Bigger Pacific Pact

Washington, Aug. 18.

A State Department official said today that the Department is "very receptive" to Philippine "feelers" about a wider defence arrangement among the free nations of the Pacific.

The United States has consistently favoured such a security arrangement provided that it developed "spontaneously" from among the free Asian nations without being fostered by the United States.

The Philippine Ambassador, Mr Carlos Romulo, has been discussing with officials here a Pacific defence bloc wider than the current ANZUS Council comprising the United States, Australia and New Zealand.

An American spokesman observed, however, that the materialisation of such a plan would still require "much time and thought," because of the complexity of a wider Pacific defence pact.

"The State Department would welcome any preliminary discussions on the subject."

But it was explained that the recent visit between Mr Romulo and the Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, "should not be considered as a formal opening of talks on such a scheme."

During the hour-long talks the Ambassador presented his country's views on a Pacific Union defence system sponsored by the President of the Philippines, Mr Elpidio Quirino.

MUST BE SPONTANEOUS
The United States indicated its receptiveness to such a scheme at the time of the signing of the defence pact with Australia, New Zealand and the Philippines.

This was made evident in the wording of the preamble which stated that the signatory nations committed themselves to co-ordinate their efforts in collective defence.

The development of a more comprehensive system of regional security in the Pacific area, "We are therefore in favour of such a movement developing spontaneously in Asian countries but we are determined not to do anything to instigate it."—United Press.

New Minister In Israeli Govt

Jerusalem Aug. 18.
The Israeli Parliament today approved the appointment of Socialist Pinhas Lavon as Minister without Portfolio in place of Deputy Prime Minister Eliezer Kaplan, who died six weeks ago.

The appointment, announced by Premier David Ben Gurion, was approved by 54 votes to 37.

The Premier said no appointment would be made for some weeks in place of the Minister of Communications, Mr David Pinhas, who died last Thursday.—Reuter.

The Smoker Who Made A Sacrifice

London, Aug. 18.
It was no ordinary notice that appeared in a London weekly paper announcing the engagement of Mr Ian Robey of Winchmore Hill, N., to Miss Pamela Elbourne, of Perrycroft avenue, Bristol.

It told a tale of many sacrifices—"in view of— the above engagement," Mr Robey has had to renounce Lady Nicotine and wishes not to be tempted into her arms again by friends or tobaccoists.

The story behind the announcement was told by Miss Elbourne, a clerk in an insurance office.

"We became engaged during the week-end," she said, "I thought that too much of my fiancé's money was going up in smoke, and I told him so."

"I asked him to give up smoking at least for the time being. He agreed."

"After all, when we marry I shall be giving up Bristol and all my friends. So I don't see why he shouldn't give up something himself."

Mr Robey smoked his last cigarette when he took his fiancée to choose the engagement ring. "At least," said Miss Elbourne, "I hope it was the last."

Norway Opens Doors To DPs

Munich, Aug. 18.
Seven years after their liberation from Nazi concentration camps, 20 "hard-core" Jewish displaced persons and their families will leave tonight for a new life in Norway.

All 20 were one-time tuberculosis patients, but are now pronounced medically fit and capable of self-support.

This is the first time that any nation, except Israel, has agreed to open its doors for permanent re-settlement to such "hard-core" displaced persons. They were selected by Norwegian officials and the American Joint Distribution Committee from displaced persons camps in Germany and Italy.—United Press.

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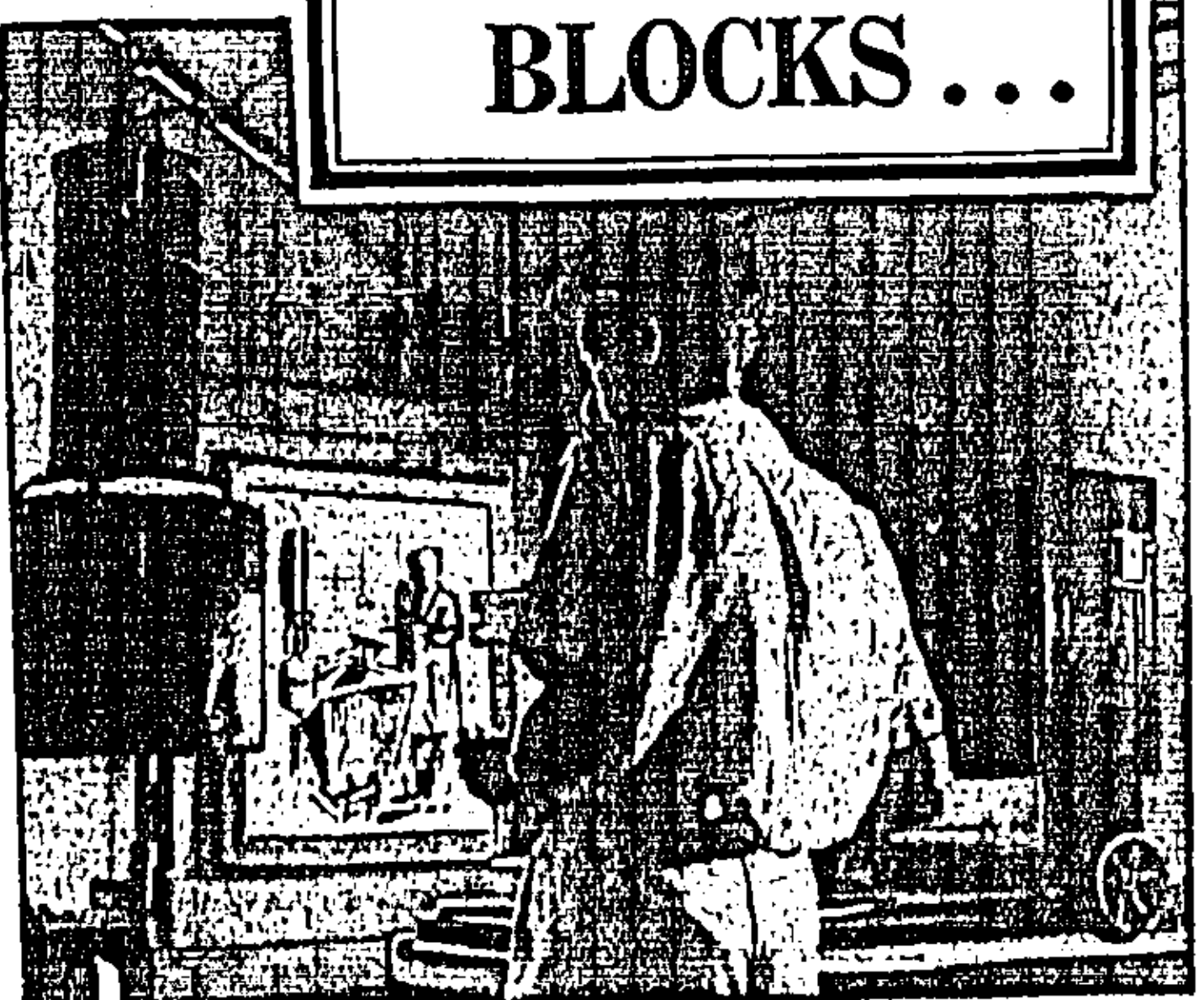


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Charity begins at the Stately Home

by JOHN
WATERMAN

STATELY as dowagers long past their prime, stately as Elizabethan courtiers, stately as Regency bucks quizzing the surrounding countryside stand the Stately Homes of England in the quiet valleys and parks of the land.

Even in this 1952 age of high death-duties and surtax they preserve their stateliness. In this work of preservation the National Trust plays an appreciable part.

It helps to maintain some of these fragments of English history for all to see. At the same time, it also helps to maintain some of the landed gentry who might otherwise have had to surrender their inheritance entirely.

How does this come about? By an ingenious scheme. The owner of a country house of sufficient historical value may transfer it to the National Trust, if the Trust agree, with an endowment yielding an income to maintain it, and the understanding that he and his heirs will be permitted to live there rent-free. The owner then undertakes to open the house to the public at stated times.

How they escape death duties

THIS brings substantial advantages. Both the house and the endowment fund escape death duties, and income from the endowment fund will also be exempted from income-tax and surtax. It is not surprising therefore that some of the houses listed among the Trust's properties are still inhabited either wholly or in part by their former owners.

West Wycombe Park, the Buckinghamshire home of Sir John Dashwood, premier baronet of England, is an example. He gave his 300-acre park and fine 18th century house to the National Trust nine years ago. With it went an endowment, for upkeep, of £3,000, plus rents from some of the 300 acres on the estate, and some additional land which can be sold if necessary.

Posters have this summer been inviting Londoners to visit West Wycombe Park. About 1,500 have made the journey since the house and park opened early in July. They close again at the end of this month.

House 2s.,
park 1s.

VISITORS pay 1s. to go into the park and a further 2s. to go round the house which stands on a hill, overlooking a wood-grown, ornamental lake. Under its colonnade, with a riot of pink, painted cherubs looking down from the ceiling, tickets are sold by a warden wearing

the green National Trust armband. Inside, a guide explains about the second baronet, Sir Francis Dashwood, a notable eccentric, patron of the arts and spendthrift. He did most of the building of West Wycombe House in the Adam style, was responsible for the spacious landscape gardening, and engaged a Milanese painter, called Borgnis to decorate the house.

The effect of this is that West Wycombe is one Stately Home to which the words of Noel Coward's song do not apply. "Rows and rows and rows of Gainsboroughs and Lawrences, some sporting prints of Aunt Florence's..." are replaced by rows and rows of Raphael's and other old masters carefully copied by Borgnis.

As a familiar-looking masterpiece is reached the guide explains: "There's one I think you will recognise... Nell Gwynn." "Who is it by?" asks someone. "I'm afraid it's a copy," the guide replies.

Sir John takes a walk

DURING the tour, lasting about 15 minutes, visitors may see Sir John Dashwood walking on the lawn. On a recent afternoon the guide pointed him out with a rather reverent: "There's the present baronet."

Sir John paused for a moment, called to his spaniel. His gaze took in the East Portico, where, within the Doric pillars, modern scaffolding could be seen, bearing witness to the work of maintenance and preservation the National Trust is carrying out at Wycombe Park.

The income from the endowment given by Sir John, plus gate-money and rent from property on the estate has not been sufficient to meet the cost of such work. In the latest published report of the National Trust the finance of West Wycombe Park is shown as £2,170. Income totalled £1,951. Deficit £2,310. In the previous year there was a deficit of £2,077. The latest published figure shows that the endowment fund is £2,371 in the red.

Cliveden—and the Astors

LESS than eight miles away from West Wycombe is another house which is preserved under the same National Trust scheme. This is Cliveden, home of Lord and Lady Astor. Cliveden was made over to the Trust in 1942 with a record endowment of £222,757 for upkeep. The house is open one day a week from April to October.

The Astors continue in residence. Visitors pay 2s. for entrance to gardens and house. On a wooden bench outside the 19th century front built by Barry, the architect of the Houses of Parliament, they wait to go in, savouring the strong political aura which surrounds the house; the memory of the Cliveden set—who met at Cliveden for week-end parties before the war and were often attacked for their alleged pro-Nazi and pro-Fascist views—the inscription by Gladstone named after Canning and Garibaldi.

In the small library, where there are unmistakable traces of the Astors' habitation—three

pictures of Bernard Shaw, photographs of Lloyd George, and members of the family—the guide is almost off-hand about the quality of the surroundings: "The panelling is of a rare wood, sycamore... the fire-place is Adam... the china Dresden... the desk Louis XVI..."

Room with a view

UNDOUBTEDLY, Cliveden's greatest attraction is the fine view of the Thames from the library windows, winding through the Chiltern beechwoods below. This draws appreciative "Oohs" from tourists. There is nothing comparable at West Wycombe Park. Yet the two Stately Homes have much in common. Both have magnificent grounds. The interiors of both houses are, from the point of view of art treasures, unexceptional. They do not compare with, say, Blenheim or Hatfield House. The one great difference between the two is that West Wycombe Park runs at a loss, Cliveden at a profit.

Since 1943, the first full year in which Cliveden was National Trust property, up to the last year for which figures are published—1950—Cliveden has shown a revenue surplus of £1,081. Its income, mainly from tax-free dividends from investments of the endowment funds plus gate-money and some minor sources has been £78,780. Invested by a millionaire in any other way £222,757 over the years would not have yielded £70,000-odd: it would

have yielded 70,000 sixpences after surtax had been paid. The income would have certainly been quite insufficient to maintain Cliveden.

What will happen to Cliveden when Lord Astor dies? He has expressed a wish that the house should continue to be used as a meeting place for men and women in the public service—MPs, educationists, trade unionists and the like—and for furthering understanding between the English-speaking world and other peoples. But if the house continues as the private residence of Lord Astor's heirs—which is possible under the National Trust scheme—a great benefit will accrue to the Astor family.

The whole of the near quarter-million-pound endowment fund will escape death duties, and so will the house.

Topsy-turvy world

THE reason for the tax-free status of the Stately Homes is explained in the Gowers Report: "The Trust is a 'charity' in the legal sense, and the exemption of charities from taxation is a long-established principle."

This is an admirable principle for the gentry. It is less admirable for the Exchequer, which is deprived of much-needed revenue, both in income-tax and death duties. And not at all admirable for the general public. It is a topsy-turvy world where charity begins at the Stately Home.

THE CINEMA SHUTS...AND CAMPERS ARE MOVING IN FROM THE COUNTRY

South-of-France Newsletter

from Evelyn Irons

Monte Carlo. FROM Monte Carlo, with its carefree Summer Sporting Club beach and night club, I drove over the precipitous Alps to Forcalquier, the quiet corner of Provence where Sir Jack Drummond, his wife and daughter were murdered.

They had travelled the same way up from the seaside resort of Villardrac, close by Monte Carlo. One can imagine sinister happenings in these deep mountain gorges we crossed. But not here at Forcalquier, in the sunny, open landscape, where the hills are a gentle blue frieze and the broad river Durance gleams in the sun among the vineyards and olive groves.

THE QUIET SPOT Not many English tourists find their way here but French families like to come to the district for a quiet country holiday. Seventeen years ago there was an influx of British here. That was when a plaque, carved with the date 1235, was unveiled to commemorate the 7th century of an English queen. The plaque had this inscription in English: "To the memory of Eleanor of Provence, wife of Henry III of England."

This little town, with its picturesque houses climbing its little pointed hill, was studded by the triple murder. In the square beside the

Romanesque church children still trundle round on hired wooden horse cars, but the mothers grouped on benches under the shady plane trees whispered anxiously together. The cinema, normally opened four nights a week, was closed. Several campers pitched their tents on open spaces in the town because they were afraid to spend a night in the country. There will be no peace in Forcalquier until the murderer has been caught.

'POOR SEASON'

UP and down the Riviera coast the natives complain that this is a poor season for tourists. M. Tachan, president of the Chamber of Commerce at Nice, gives three reasons: the British austerity currency allowance of £25; the brilliant summer weather all over France, giving less inducement to go South for the sun; and high prices on the Riviera compared with Spain and Austria.

But there are few complaints in Monte Carlo, where income-tax does not exist. They even

produce figures to show that 1048 Britons stayed in Monte Carlo hotels last month against 919 in July last year.

Total number of tourists here in the same month has increased from about 6,000 to more than 7,000.

CROUPIERS' SCHOOL

AT the Monte Carlo Casino Club are 240 croupiers working a six-hour day. All had a six months' training at the Casino croupiers' school.

Students at the school are hand-picked from men who have worked at least two years for the company. But there has not been a course at the croupiers' school for three years. Reason: no new croupiers have been needed.

Croupiers for the crap tables (the game was introduced three months ago) are sent to America to be "educated" in the game and the language. Albert Jaffret, the head croupier, learned the game in Nevada. Said 30-year-old René Chaboud, five years a croupier, "I was different. I learned in Haiti."

According to Chaboud, a croupier must be quick-witted, neat-handed, and entirely imperious.

PETIT JOSEPH

Celine is the essential quality, says he. He is a bachelor. "I have to concentrate on my work," he explains.

Craps croupiers have developed a Franco-American jargon of their own, in which they address the dice and encourage the players.

"Little Joe" becomes "Petit Joseph." But they haven't found a French word for Box Car, the Double Six.

MISSING JEWELS

MME. LILIANE MODIANO, a wealthy hostess from Paris, aged 42, is still without her £15,000-worth of jewels which she left on the beach at Saint Jean Cap Ferrat one Saturday in a grey nylon bag.

Police theory is that a meek thief picked up the little nylon bag when Mme. de Croninac had her eyes shut.

What the French call "Les rats de plage" (beach rats) are active on the Riviera. At Cannes the other day two American sisters, Caroline and Emily Smith from New York went swimming and left \$700 in travellers' cheques, two gold rings and a pearl necklace in a raffia bag on the sands. When they came back, the bag was gone.

Repeated warnings are issued by the police against leaving jewellery on the beach. But the women go on doing it.

Film producer Jack Warner did not leave his £2,000-rings on the rocks when he went swimming at Cap d'Antibes. He wore it and it slipped from his finger in deep water.

Communism Versus United Nations

By HUGH SUTHERLAND

SOVIET tactics in the United Nations have undergone a marked change recently. Instead of continuing to pursue her six-year-old policy of obstruction and boycott the Soviet Union is now engaging in open opposition.

Her plan seems to be to create a permanent body of Communist or Communist-controlled agencies designed to weaken support for the United Nations, to undermine the confidence in its work, and eventually to usurp its place, both in the minds and emotions of millions of people throughout the world who now look to the United Nations for protection and for help in bettering their living standards and cultural activities.

The development of this change in Soviet policy is apparent in the history of the Soviet attitude to the United Nations specialised agencies

which were set up to further human prosperity by international action in such spheres as economics, trade and currency, and food and health.

Co-ordinating their work and that of three regional economic commissions—the Economic Commission for Europe, the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East and the Economic Commission for Latin America—is the Economic and Social Council.

This Council and all the specialised agencies being non-political and concerned with the welfare of millions of ordinary people, have the support of the vast majority of nations—except, primarily, the Soviet Union.

The Soviet Union deliberately stands aloof. But at the same time (incredible as it may seem) she complains of being "isolated" by the non-Communist world. She refuses to participate in the following agencies:

The International Labour Organisation; the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO); the Food and Agriculture Organisation; the International Civil Aviation Organisation; the International Monetary Fund; the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development; the International Maritime Consultative Organisation; the International Refugee Organisation; the International Trade Organisation; and the World Health Organisation.

Clearly, the Soviet Union is "isolated" from the West only in so far as Stalin has decided that it shall be.

This theme of Soviet "isolation" was elaborated by Andrei Zhdanov, addressing the inaugural meeting of the Cominform, in September 1947. At the same time he revived Lenin's idea of a world divided into two hostile camps, Communist and non-Communist, and claimed that the foreign policy of the Soviet Union reflected "the hopes of all progressive mankind, which strives for a lasting peace."

Here was the origin of the Kremlin's "peace" campaign—the attempt to exploit aversion to war, to build up the Stalinist dictatorship as a champion of peace and democracy, and to frustrate Western resistance to Soviet designs. Here too was the origin of the Kremlin plan of opposition to the United Nations.

By 1949 a permanent organisation, the World Peace Council, had been set up. It had, of course, the support of local Communist parties and various international bodies, such as the World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU) and the Women's International Democratic Federation (WIDF). Later, the committee was enlarged and became the "World Peace Council" (WPC).

Many people thought that the Cominform was intended to be the direct successor of the Comintern, or Third International, which at one time directed and co-ordinated the revolutionary activities of Communist parties throughout the world.

But it now appears that the "World Peace Council" is destined to take over many of the important functions of the Comintern, and, by so doing, to become the Moscow-controlled opposition to the United Nations. For under its wing, and under the cry for "peace," the new Soviet plan of opposition to the United Nations is taking shape.

For example, at the Berlin meeting of the "World Peace Congress," in February 1951, it was decided to call an international economic conference. This duly met at Moscow in April 1952.

Many of the avowed objects of the conference could easily have been achieved by making use of existing national trade delegations. Nevertheless, the Moscow conference resolved to set up an "International Trade Promotion Committee," ostensibly to facilitate world trade. This committee is now working in conjunction with "national" committees formed by the sponsors of the conference and is attempting to assume the role of the United Nations Economic and Social Council and its three regional commissions. An ambitious project to say the least.

But though it attempts to assume the role of the Economic and Social Council, the Soviet Union has apparently no desire to undertake the tasks of the Council. The proposal by the Pakistani delegate to the Moscow conference that a "Stalin Plan" should be initiated has been ignored by the Soviet leaders. Under the plan the Soviet Union would help with the industrialisation of Asia and with the co-ordination of trade in the Far East.

There are other examples of Soviet opposition to the United Nations. A Communist-controlled International Meeting of Congresses is due to meet in Italy in October, even though the World Health Organisation of the United Nations is extremely active in this field. In addition to the Cultural Commission set up by the "World Peace Council," an International Congress of Cultural Workers is to be called at some date as yet unknown. No doubt this body, together with the "Moscow-controlled" World Federation of Scientific Workers, will work in opposition to UNESCO.

An International Conference in Defence of Children, sponsored by the Communist-dominated WFTU and WIDF, was held at Vienna in April 1952. Yet the United Nations' International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) is supported by the majority of nations.

Despite the fact that Russia is a member of the International Telecommunications Union, one of the United Nations specialised agencies, she is also a member of the International Broadcasting Organisation, which, like the WFTU, has become an instrument of Soviet foreign policy.

Such is the new development in the Communist attitude towards the constructive work of the United Nations. It is a revealing aspect of cold war strategy on the widest scale. It is also a plain indication of Soviet intentions, and, by that same token, a grave warning to the people of the free world.



"Since when have you been promoted to Saturday night?"

• BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

HAVING read about a dog which uses the telephone, I have now seen a photograph in a paper of a dog in a hat.

The poor beast was hanging its head, and was obviously ashamed and humiliated, as any self-respecting animal would be under such conditions—even the rhinoceros which was given a spotted tie by a foolish visitor to the zoo. Any dog now, at a glance, you may hear a voice in the walls say, "I wonder if you'd mind asking your dog to take off his hat?"

Pibney's Battle of Flowers

TRUBLE has arisen over the Battle of Flowers, which is to wind up the Pibney Carnival and Pageant in a powerful manner. Mrs. Sylvester Gladde characterized the idea as not only un-British, but Continental. Young louts, she said, "will make flower-throwing an excuse for scrapping acquaintance with girls. Already the publicans are clamouring for an extension of the drinking-hours. The question is, do we of Pibney St. Vitus wish to see intoxicated youths indulging about our town with their arms full of floral missiles? To throw a rose gently to a girl of one's acquaintance may look charming, but it can degenerate into the violent throwing of heaps of variegated blooms at perfect strangers. It can become a noisy chaos, and when I tell you that a niece of mine was killed at Nice on the Promenade des Anglais by a foreigner who reeked of wine, need I say more?" "No!" thundered her audience.

THE finding of a 31-ft. fossilized fish in the Karmel Desert, 800 miles from the sea, is puzzling scientists. The theory that the fish was trying to reach the sea, and died on the way, does not explain where it had come from. The hypothesis of Professor Hailton, that there were once land-fish, is denied by experts. Mrs. Chalmers has suggested that it was a flying-fish, but the facts do not bear this out. Could it have been dropped by an itinerant fishmonger, during his crossing of the desert? No. Itinerant fishmongers were, and still are, unknown in the Karmel Desert. For obvious reasons. Is it a museum exhibit dropped from a plane? No. It has been dead at least 500,000,000 years, according to Professor Crawford. "That," he added, "rules out planes." So it does, Professor, as it does.

Wisdom of the ages

Only the short-sighted mistake for a croaking-sweeper the learned man whose beard sweeps the ground.

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19

BORN today, you have excellent business judgment, an alert and quick mind, and the ability to get a lot done under pressure without undue excitement. You are also faithful and conscientious in all that you undertake. These are all attributes that can spell success. But there is another side of your nature, which may not be so apparent. You are impulsive in affairs of the heart, sympathetic to all who have a good story to tell, and very quick-tempered. If you feel that you have, at any time, been "put upon," you say things in anger that you regret the moment you have cooled off. But sometimes it is too late! Learn to control your emotional nature.

A born leader, you only like to play when you can rule. You will probably find that you do your best work on a new project on Tuesdays and that February is a significant month for making major decisions. Your intuitions are keen and you are inclined to disregard them as "nonsense." You prefer to analyse everything that happens. Most of the time, it would be preferable to act on your hunches. Some people have the real gift of foresight. Perhaps you are one of them.

You are an incurable optimist and no matter how things look at the moment, you are sure that things will turn out all right. This is a fine attitude. But don't stop doing what you should, just because Lady Luck may smile at you for a moment. All too often she smiles on those who are eager and willing to help themselves.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Keep your temper well in check. No matter what the provocation, don't speak out of turn or you will regret it.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—By giving in on minor issues, you will win the larger decisions. Co-operative effort counts.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Hold open house for close friends and relatives. You can achieve a real social success.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Be helpful to loved ones. Give advice if requested.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—If working with others on some community affair, show the utmost of tact.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Be diplomatic when it comes to dealing with any business executive.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Contact a friend whom you may not have seen lately. Telephone or write, if you can't pay a call.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Pay good attention to business matters. Discuss business and make your future plans carefully.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Outdoor sports are well favoured. Perhaps your vacation includes golf, swimming, hiking. Good for you.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Be sure that you put the details of an important contract in writing rather than trusting to memory.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Don't expect to get out of today anything more than you are willing to put into it. Hard work pays off.

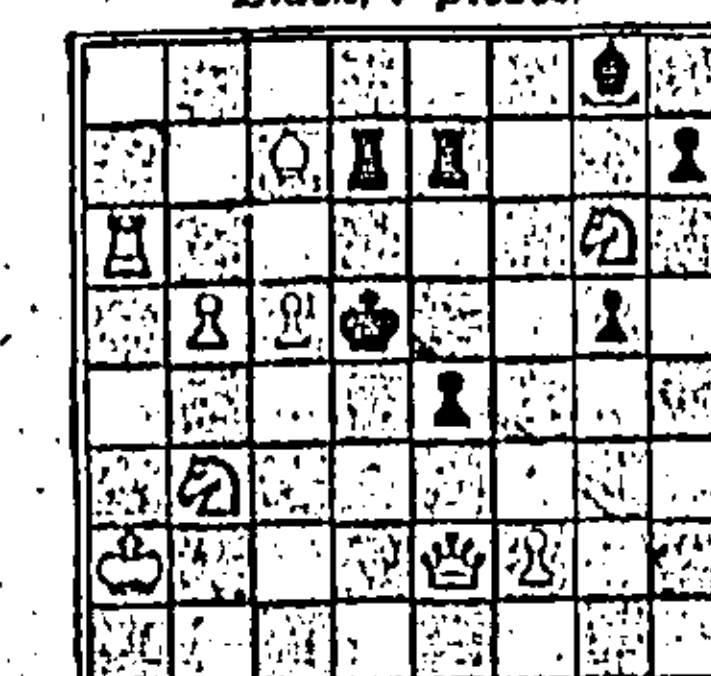
CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Release tensions by listening to some good music, reading a light book, or going to a movie.

DUMB-BELLS



CHESS PROBLEM

By J. P. A. SEILBERGER and J. J. EBBEN
Black, 7 pieces.



White, 9 pieces.
White to play: mate in three.
Solution to yesterday's problem: 1. QxKf2, any; 2. Q, R, or B mate.

• BARBS

By HAL COCHRAN

LAUGH and grow fat would be a fine idea if it weren't for the cost of reducing.

A Tennessee musician was arrested for having two wives. You'd think he would be interested in harmony.

The man who is best at dodging work usually is the worst failure.

When a machine is well oiled it makes the least noise. It's just the opposite with humans.

A scientist says the earth has a vibration all its own. And from which of the modern dances did it get it?

The fellow who is always pushing himself into the line usually turns out to be a lemon.

• JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Play Trump Trick To Win This Hand

NORTH 28		SOUTH 28	
♠ J 9 5 4	♥ 10 8	♠ A 7	♥ K 5 3
♦ 5 4	♣ A K Q J 7	♦ A 7	♣ K 5 3
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♠ Q 10 6 3 2	♥ A 7	♠ Q 10 6 3 2	♥ A 7
♦ 9	♣ A K 7 6 3	♦ 9	♣ A K 7 6 3
♠ 10 9 4 3	♥ 8 6 2	♠ 10 9 4 3	♥ 8 6 2
SOUTH		SOUTH	
♠ K 8	♥ A Q J 9 8 4	♠ K 8	♥ A Q J 9 8 4
♦ A Q J 9 8 4	♣ 10 8 2	♦ A Q J 9 8 4	♣ 10 8 2
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Opening lead—♦ Q		Opening lead—♦ Q	

By OSWALD JACOBY

"PLEASE settle a dispute," requests a St. Louis correspondent. "The question concerns the proper defensive play in the accompanying hand."

West opened the ten, and South dropped the ten. West continued with the nine of diamonds, East won with the king, and South dropped the jack. East next laid down the ace of spades and continued with a small spade. The rest was easy for South. He won with the king of spades, ran three rounds of clubs to get rid of his diamonds, and finally drew all of the trumps with the help of a successful finesse.

West said that East should not have led the ace of spades at the third trick. West thought that East should have led his low spade in order to give South a guess. If South made the mistake of playing low he might lose two spade tricks. I am sorry to say that both players are wrong. East cannot defeat the contract by leading a low spade at the third trick. On the basis of the bidding South must guess the location of the ace of spades. East therefore cannot hope to defeat the contract by getting two spade tricks.

There is, however, a very simple way to defeat the contract. East should merely play to set a trump trick.

After winning the second diamond trick, East cashes the ace of spades. He then leads the ace of diamonds, forcing dummy to ruff. This play leaves only one trump in dummy so that only one trump finesse can be taken through East.

East merely sits tight; he will eventually take the setting trick with the king of hearts.

HEARD SAYING

Q—The bidding has been:

North East South West
1 Heart 1 Spade
2 You, South, hold Spades None, Hearts 7-5-3-2, Diamonds 3-2-4-2, Clubs K-A-5-5. What do you do?

A—Bid two hearts. This is about as strong a holding in high cards as you can hold for a free raise. Your own distribution is compensation, however.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question above. You, South, hold: Spades None, Hearts Q-3-2, Diamonds A-3-7-4-2, Clubs K-6-5-5. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

CROSSWORD

Across

1. No, he does not make cycle wheels. (9)

2. Bird's nest in attack. (5)

3. This duck is a food. (7)

4. At tea it's a test, but it was once worth about 10s. (4), dis-

appointment. (9)

5. Strong taste. (7)

6. This may go through or (4)

7. Over (7)

8. Pity that is, untrue. (3)

9. Such trade knows no tariff. (9)

10. Encircle with blue ink. (9)

11. Amyloid without a lid. (4)

12. A full-stop to the dowry. (3)

13. Shows (7)

14. Choked for a gland rest. (9)

15. A pint may be comical. (5)

16. Too much—let it be! (5)

17. Backer for the starting price on (7)

18. Part of the year for charm. (7)

19. Against a bit on poetry? (7)

20. An interesting part of the (5)

21. East (4)

22. Encircle possibly to be a tip (4)

23. Here one may make whoopee. (8)

24. The monkey. (3)

25. A, who seems to have the (4)

26. Mother returns insane. (3)

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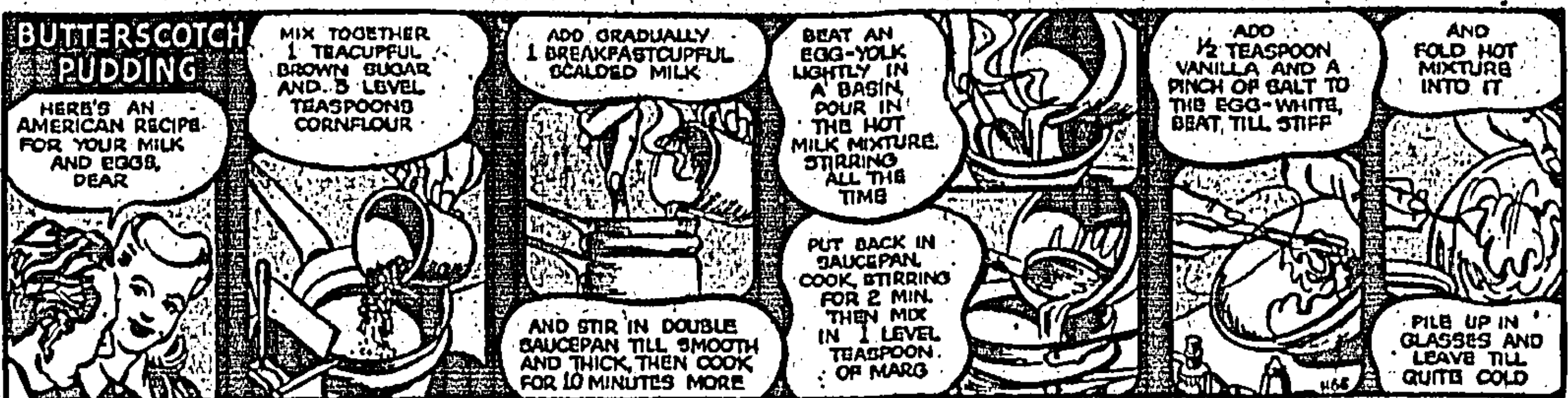
national (3)

Solution of yesterday's puzzle: Across: 1. Pimpriest; 2. Glandrest; 3. Amyloid; 4. Pity; 5. Charm; 6. Part of the year; 7. Against; 8. Interesting; 9. East; 10. Encircle; 11. Amyloid; 12. A full-stop; 13. Shows; 14. Choked; 15. A pint; 16. Too much; 17. Backer; 18. Part of the year; 19. Against; 20. An interesting part of the; 21. East; 22. Encircle; 23. Here one may make whoopee; 24. The monkey; 25. A, who seems to have the; 26. Mother returns insane; 27. C. B. was a triple international.

Down: 1. No, he does not make cycle wheels; 2. Bird's nest; 3. This duck is a food; 4. At tea it's a test, but it was once worth about 10s.; 5. Strong taste; 6. This may go through or; 7. Over; 8. Pity that is, untrue; 9. Such trade knows no tariff; 10. Encircle with blue ink; 11. Amyloid without a lid; 12. A full-stop to the dowry; 13. Shows; 14. Choked for a gland rest; 15. A pint may be comical; 16. Too much—let it be; 17. Backer for the starting price on; 18. Part of the year for charm; 19. Against a bit on poetry; 20. An interesting part of the; 21. East; 22. Encircle possibly to be a tip; 23. Here one may make whoopee; 24. The monkey; 25. A, who seems to have the; 26. Mother returns insane; 27. C. B. was a triple international.

(Solution on Page 10)

WOMANSENSE



Very Feminine



Lovely Columbia star Audrey Totter is seen wearing a becoming red-and-white striped blouse. It has stiffened collar and cuffs and with it Audrey always pins at the neck either a brooch or as she is pictured here, a velvet ribbon tied loosely with flowing ends. (Reuterphoto).

Autumn Colour For Lamps Is Black

By GAY PAULEY

New York. As far as light is concerned, the big news for autumn is black.

New designs in lamps and shades, in materials ranging from chintz to leather, feature black, spiced by flashes of white and gold.

At the show by the Lamp and Shade Institute of America, black showed up in all types of portable lighting units—table, floor, and pin-up models. The lamps were selected from manufacturers across the country.

One china table lamp, a simple vase shape, has an unglazed black surface, neatly set off by a band of white abstract figures. The shade is black parchment for light reflection.

Many manufacturers are stressing contrasting materials, paralleling a current trend in furniture styling. Black metal is combined with brightly polished brass, with white marble, milk glass, colourful ceramics, medium-toned woods, natural straw and even woven basketry.

One manufacturer inserts a slab of Florentine marble into

an open triangular metal base, topped with a hempcloth shade.

White is shown often in combination with black but also emerges as a dominant note in its right. It is seen in elegant, recent alabaster, in combination with brass, as white china with metallic gold decorations, or in white pottery with one or two vivid colours added.

It's high time that designers of children's furniture took notice of the two-gun and space ship thinking of small fry.

So says Robert McKean, a member of the executive committee of the Industrial Designers' Institute. McKean, speaking at the recent national juvenile exposition in New York, complained that designers still are in the "cuttle pie" stage, still producing pink and blue furniture, decorated with teddy bears or ducks.

"This is in the face of the fact," he added, "that today even two-year-olds are toting two guns a la Hopalong Cassidy and that three-and-four-year-olds are taking off for Mars in imaginary space ships."

McKean said most young parents today have furnished their houses in modern furniture and urgently need good, well-styled modern furniture for their children.

The designer pleaded for more adaptable furnishings for the younger set—chairs which could be expanded, tables with "telescope" legs, and chests with pullover steps which later become drawers.—United Press.

BACK TO 1930

Princess Margaret is reviving a jewellery fashion which was popular the year she was born—1930.

It is for the jewelled initial handbag clip. Her diamond M appears on the silk handbag that she has carried recently.

Jewellers say there has been a sudden demand for them again—mostly with removable fittings, so that they can also be worn as a brooch of the Christian name is usually used, either in metal, jewels or paste. Latest idea is jade.

Christmas novelty cards this year will say it with music. There is one which, designed as a small musical box, plays "Jingle Bell."

There are also musical birthday cards which play "Happy Birthday to You."

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

It's Certainly A Funny World

—Seems Everyone Is Busy Doing Opposite Things!—

By MAX TRELL

KNARE, the shadow-boy with the turned-about name, started out for a walk down the street. He hadn't gone very far when he met two men in overalls, both of them carrying bags filled with wrenches and pipes. The two men were plumbers.

"Good morning!" Knare said to the first plumber. "Where are you going and what are you going to do?"

The first plumber smiled and answered: "I'm going to the house at the end of the street to turn off the water because a pipe is leaking."

Second plumber

Then Knare said good morning to the second plumber, and asked where he was going and what he was going to do.

The second plumber also smiled and said: "I'm going to the house next-to-the-house-at-the-end-of-the-street to turn on the water because I turned it off yesterday when the pipe was leaking but now it isn't leaking any more."

Both plumbers then bade Knare take it easy and hurried off to turn the water off and turn the water on. A few moments later Knare met two other men in overalls.

"I'm a builder," said the first man. "I'm going to build a house."

"I'm a wrecker," said the second man. "I'm going to knock a house down."

Knare looked puzzled, but both men hurried off to build a house and to knock one down. After walking a little further Knare met two farmers. "Good morning!" he said to both of them. "Where are you going and what are you going to do?"

"I'm going to my farm," said the first farmer. "I'm going to plant my seeds."

"I'm going to my farm," said the second farmer. "I'm going to pull up my weeds."

Knare looked puzzled, but both farmers hurried off to plant their seeds and to pull up their weeds. After walking a little further Knare met two children.

"Good morning, Policeman!" What are you doing?" asked Knare.

"I'm going to my farm—too," replied the second farmer. "I'm going to plough up my fields."

So both farmers went off to plant and plough up their fields. Then Knare met two ladies. One was very thin, the other was very fat.

"I'm going home to eat a big dinner," said the thin lady.

"I'm going home but I'm not going to eat any dinner at all," said the fat lady. So off they both went, to eat and not to eat their dinners.

Then Knare met an owl and a sparrow, both sitting in a tree.

"It's the end of the day for me," said the owl, yawning. "I'm about to go to sleep."

"It's the beginning of the day for me," said the sparrow, flapping its wings. "I'm about to go out and sing."

So away flew both birds, one to sleep, the other to sing.

Finally Knare met a policeman, standing in the middle of a crossing and waving his hand and blowing his whistle at the automobiles.

"Good morning, Policeman!" Knare said. "What are you doing?"

"Making Cars Go and Stop," the policeman answered. "I'm making cars go, and I'm making cars stop. I'm making them go up town, and I'm making them go down town. Everything I make cars do one minute, I keep them from doing the next minute."

Knare turned around and walked slowly home again. It was certainly a funny old world where water was turned on and turned off, where houses were built and knocked down, where fields were planted and ploughed up, where dinners were eaten up and not eaten at all, where birds went to sleep and birds sang, where cars stopped and went, and where a little boy walked all the way to the middle of town, then turned around and walked back again!

But the wonderful thing was that though everybody did opposite things, everybody was happy in the same way!

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Spiced Bananas

Boil ¼ c. vinegar, 2 ½ c. sugar, 2 doz. whole cloves and one small stick cinnamon together until sugar is dissolved and the syrup thick. Drop 3 peeled bananas into the hot syrup and boil for 2 minutes. Remove from fire and cool. If desired, the bananas may be cut into smaller pieces.

And for the five-star final, another different and delightful meat garnish.

Make a syrup of 1 ½ c. sugar, ½ c. water, juice of one lemon and 2 cinnamon sticks. Wash oranges and cut in thick slices. Place in hot syrup and boil gently, without covering, until rind is clear. Chill in syrup before serving.

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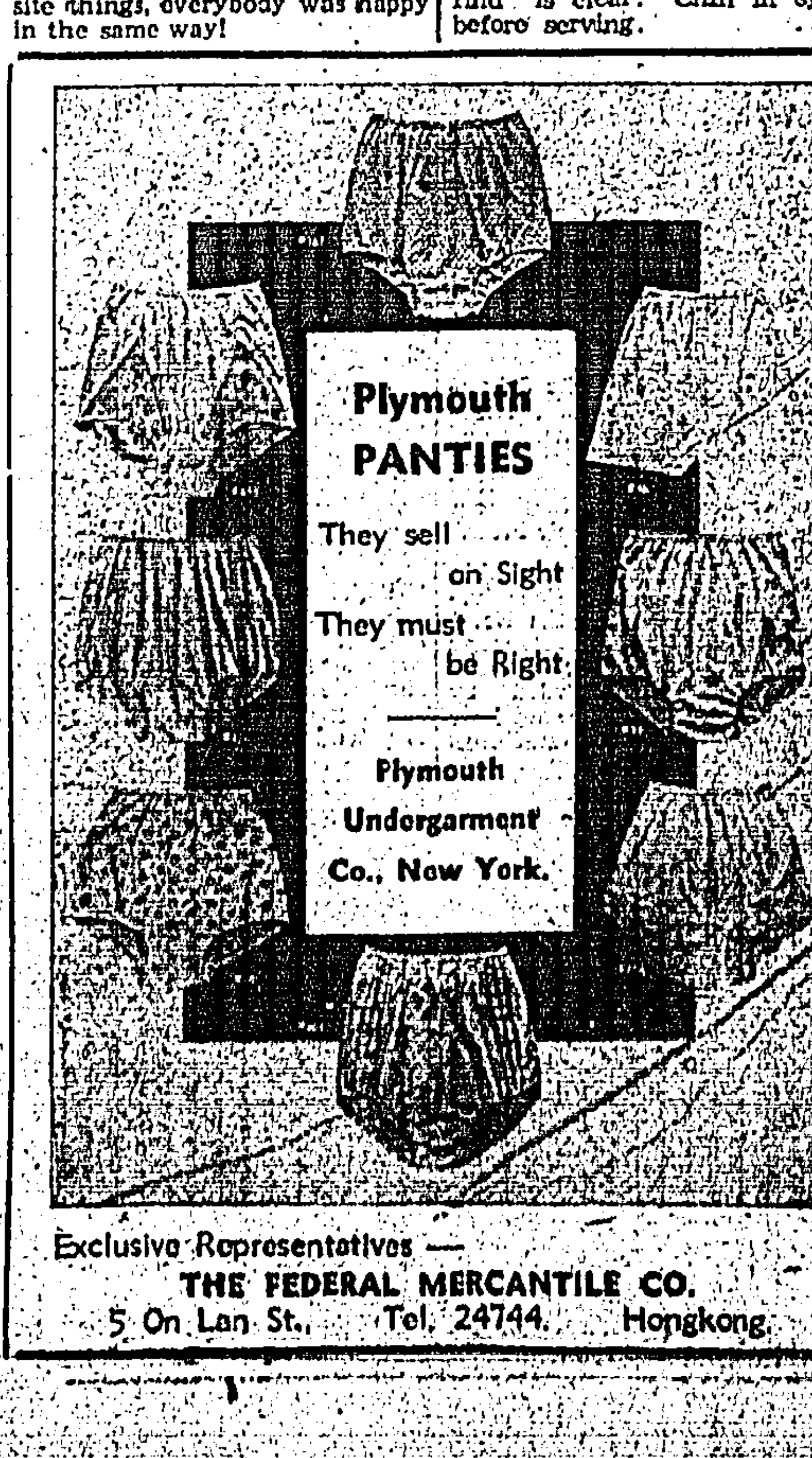
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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 24th August, 1952, will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 23rd August, 1952, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All claims must reach us before the 15th September, 1952, or they will not be recognised.

No Insurance will be effected.

JERSEY & CO.
Agents.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1952.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

CONSIGNEES PER

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S.S. "TUNGUS"

are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co's godown where it will be at the Wharf's terms and condition of storage, and where delivery may be obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left in the godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10 a.m. on the 22nd August, 1952.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's godown, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd August, 1952, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 31st August, 1952, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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Agents.

Hongkong, 19th August, 1952.

Political Merger In India Likely

New Delhi, Aug. 18.
The Socialists and the Kisan Mazdoor Praja, the main central parties between the Indian Congress and the Communists will probably merge next month.

The leader, Mr. Kripalani, told Reuter today that the merger was "almost decided" and would probably be settled by a conference of leaders early in September.

Their joint programme, Mr. Kripalani said, would be to promote the formation of co-operatives and consolidate the small holdings in agriculture to nationalise key industries, but to decentralise other industries giving them a socialised ownership of management and workers.

The merger would give them about 10 per cent of the seats in legislatures throughout the country, but will still leave them weaker than the Communists, Reuter.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

S.S. "CHANGSHA"

arrived 17th August, 1952

Damaged cargo ex this vessel will be surveyed by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf Godown at 10.00 a.m. on Thursday 21st August and Friday, 22nd August, 1952, and consignees representatives are requested to be present during survey.

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GREEK BORDER INCIDENT

Salonica, Aug. 18.
The Bulgarians admitted that they killed two Greek soldiers in the border incident on Mount Beles, in central Macedonia, on August 13, but insisted that the Greeks were on Bulgarian territory at the time, a Greek General Staff statement said tonight.

The statement followed a meeting of Greek and Bulgarian officers earlier in the day at a Bulgarian frontier outpost to discuss the incident. Reports had said that a Greek patrol of six men had been fired on by Bulgarian soldiers using light firearms and hand grenades.

The Greek representatives demanded the return of the bodies of the two Greek soldiers. The Bulgarians laid down as a condition that the Greeks should admit in writing that they were violating Bulgarian territory.

The Greek representatives indignantly refused and demanded that the Bulgarians should recognise in writing that the incident took place on Greek soil. The Bulgarians replied that they would ask for instructions, the Greek General Staff statement said.

A second meeting between the Greek and Bulgarian officers is expected, but the date has not yet been fixed—Reuter.

Cairo Looking At History Books

Cairo, Aug. 18.
History textbooks on modern Egypt will be revised by a committee appointed by the Minister of Education.

The Under-Secretary of State for Education said today that chapters in those history books dealing with ex-King Farouk's reign will be amended in accordance with the latest developments.

The Education Ministry disclosed that many of the 25 pieces of Egyptian antiquities which had been reported missing from the museum have been found at Farouk's Abdin Palace in Cairo—Reuter.

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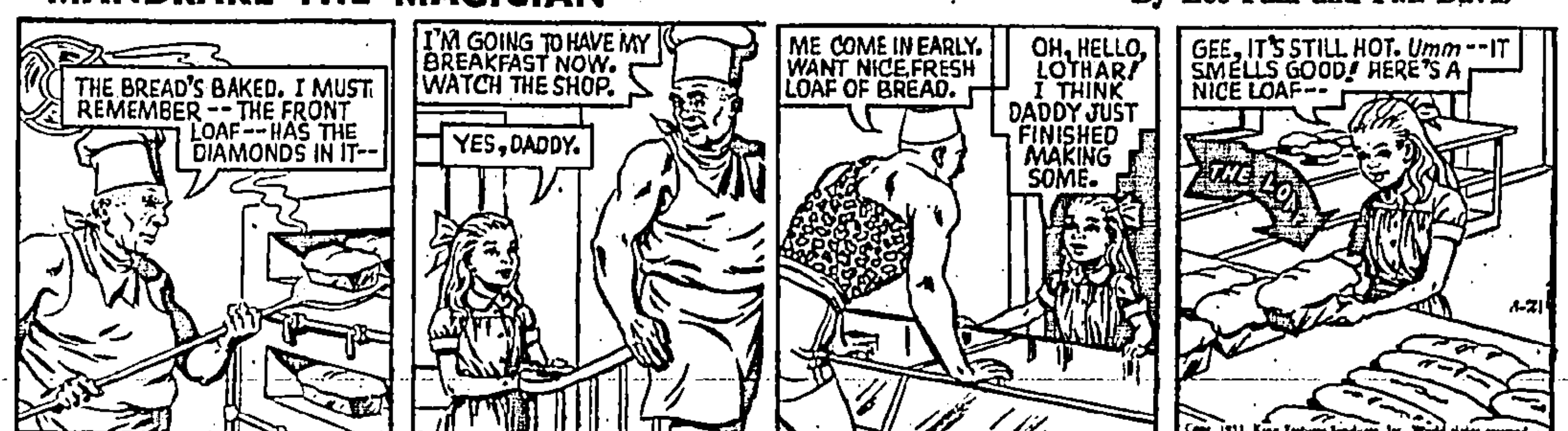
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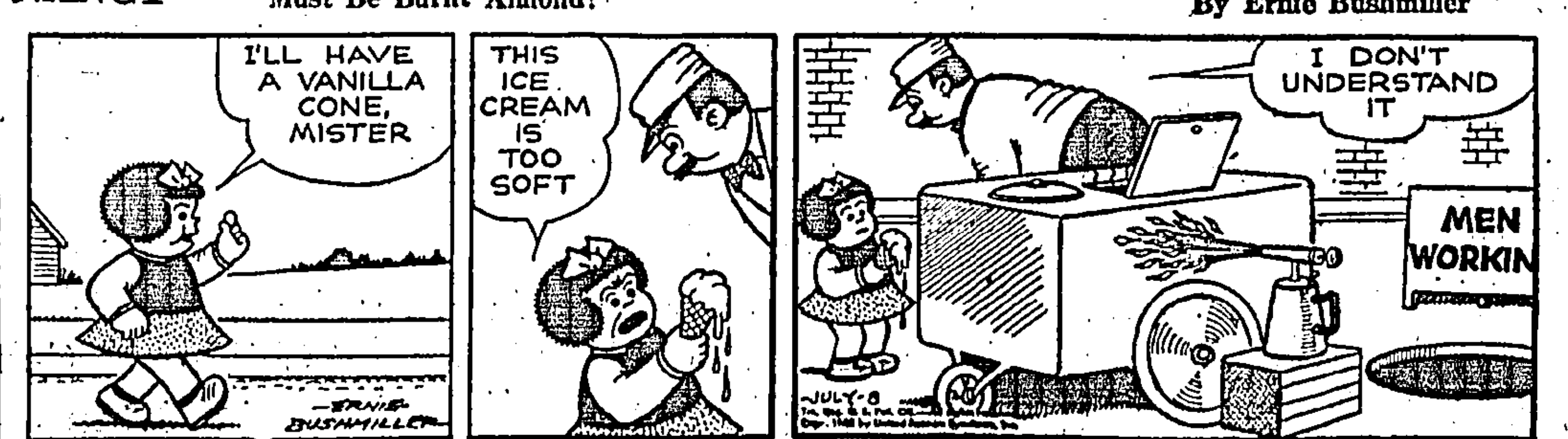
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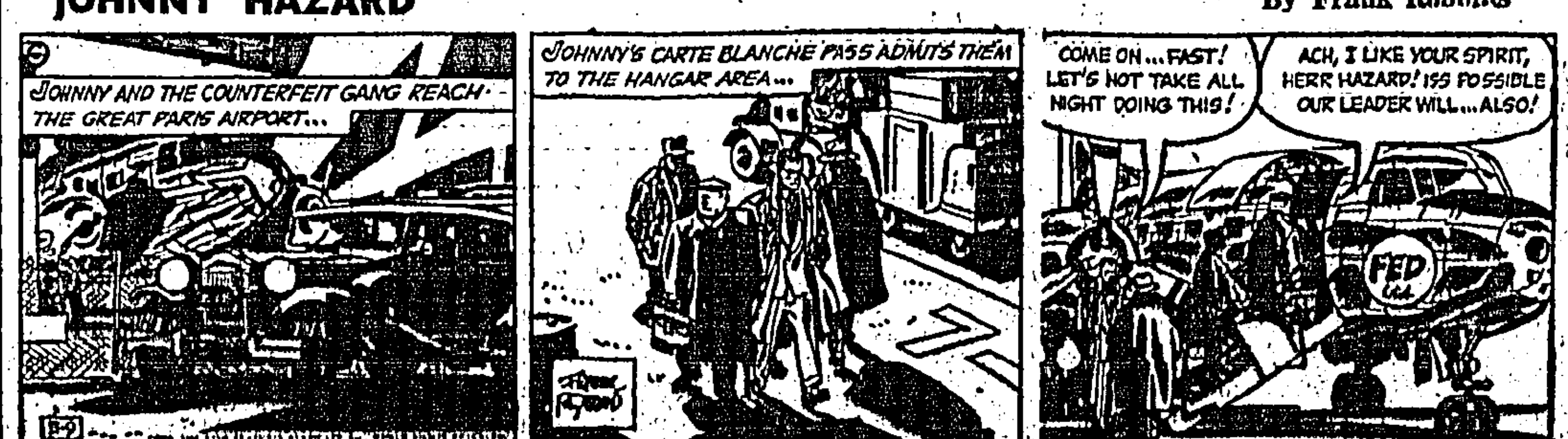
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Wanted From Harry The Swag: £300

London, Aug. 18.
Harry the Swag was fined £300 at Southampton.
The name, said the prosecution, is applied to Harold Robert James Ingram, 35, a London street trader, of Villa-street, Walworth, S.E. He was fined for being concerned in carrying 39 un-Customed watches with intent to deprive the authorities of the duty.

[Swag or Swag-barrowman—a coster, or another carrying on that trade.—Partridge, Dictionary of Slang.]

Mr W. D. Kessler, prosecuting, said that Ingram and three other men were in a hired car which was stopped in Southampton. When asked to leave the car and be searched Ingram answered: "All right, guy. This is the stuff you are after."

He handed over a parcel of watches and said that they were not "knocked," but were un-Customed.

[Knock: To steal.—Partridge, Dictionary of Slang.]

More watches were found in a tobacco pouch on the car floor.

NO GRASSING
Mr Kessler said that when Customs officers asked Ingram who gave him the watches he replied: "You would not want me to 'grass,' would you?"

[Grass, or Come Grass: Inform to the authorities.—Op. Cit.]

And Ingram added: "Where I come from you get chivvied for saying that."
[Chivvy: Past Part. Chivvied: To stab or wound with a knife.—Ibid.]

Ingram, who expressed regret in court, asked for a year in which to pay the fine.
He was told that, unless the fine was paid within 14 days he would have to go to prison for six months.

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Rapid Recovery From Steel Strike Hailed In America

New York, Aug. 18.

Many of the weak spots in the U.S. economy are gaining strength and recovery from the steel strike is making rapid strides.

The cotton textile industry, which has lagged too long, appeared finally to have turned the corner toward better business.

The lights are burning late for second and, in some cases, third shifts in many of the textile centres.

Buying came back to New York's Worth Street, centre of the goods market. Prices strengthened and remained firm.

Freight carloadings were the highest since December 1 last year—792,171 compared with 739,920 the previous week. It was an indication that goods were on the move again.

Electric power production was the highest since March 8—7,495,322,000 kilowatt hours against 7,404,913,000 the previous week. It showed more machines were being used in more factories.

Steel production pushed close to the 2,000,000-ton mark as additional facilities returned to full operation and the plants ran at 95.4 per cent of rated capacity.

COUNTING THE COST
Steel makers and steel consumers still were counting the cost of the long strike.

The American Iron and Steel Institute said the walk-out resulted in a drop to 46,037,258 net tons in steel production for the first seven months of this year. That is a decline of 14,391,224 tons from a year ago.

Among the consumers, the American Locomotive Company

said it would lay off 500 locomotive division workers on August 22 for a fortnight because of steel shortages. Its ordinance division, which makes tanks, will not be affected.

And a National Production Authority official said that the inability of farm equipment manufacturers to obtain steel may cost them 30 per cent of next year's machinery production.

CAR OUTPUT
Motor-car production dropped to 38,293 passenger cars and trucks compared with 43,904 the previous week with many of the big plants closed for lack of steel.

But the industry expects its output will leap ahead this week as the large manufacturers return to more normal production schedules.

Before the steel strike began the 1952 output of motor-cars was estimated as high as 4,500,000 units. Now many think it will take some luck to reach 4,100,000.

The trade paper Automotive News said the stocks of unsold new cars in the United States are at the lowest level since the end of World War II.

Steel stores reported a little better business than a year ago and about even with the previous week.—Associated Press.

Huge Profit In Car Field

Melbourne, Aug. 18.
General Motors Holden made a record for an Australian Company with a year's profit of £2,710,000 sterling after paying £2,320,000 sterling in taxes.
It is turning out 25,000 vehicles a year.—Reuter.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

With several large deals the trading on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning was of a total value of \$205,707.40. Noon quotations were:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

BANKS
HSBC Bank 1425
East Asia 142

INSURANCES
Union 767 1/2 20 @ 157 1/2
HK Fire 130

DOCKS, ETC.
K. Wah 90
N. P. Wah 90 0.30
Dock 1570
Provident 1570
Wheelock 42 1/2 600 @ 43

LAND, ETC.
HK Hotel 8 1/2 0.30 2000 @ 6.35
N. P. Hotel 4 1/2
HK Land (N) 4 1/2
Humphreys 12

UTILITIES
Trans 10 20
C. Light (N) 13 1/2
C. Light (S) 8 1/2 0.000 @ 9
C. Light (N) 0.05 0.15
Electric 22 1/2 22 1/2 1040 @ 22.60
Macao Elec. 10 50
Telephone 17 1/2 17 1/2 500 @ 17.00

INDUSTRIALS
Cement 17.00 17.00 2000 @ 17.70
Cement 500 @ 17.00
Rope 19.10 500 @ 17.70

STORES, ETC.
Daily 10 20 1300 @ 10.20
Watson 27 1/2 24 (100 220)
L. Crawford 24 (100 220)

MISCELLANEOUS
Yangtze 5 1/2 5.20

Shell Of Canada Expanding

Toronto, Aug. 18.

The Shell Oil Company of Canada today announced plans to pour \$10,000,000 into its expansion programme for its refinery facilities in Vancouver, B.C.

W.M.V. Ash, company president, said the job would start this autumn and probably would be finished next year. He said it was hoped to double the expansion project with completion of the \$82,000,000 transmountain oil pipeline from Edmonton, Alberta, to Vancouver, in which Shell has a large interest.

Mr. Ash said expansion would result in California crude oil being replaced by Canadian oil at the Sheldown Refinery at Burrard Inlet, north of Vancouver.

Capacity will be more than doubled, increasing to 15,000 barrels a day.—United Press.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Closing rate August 18.

Spot 30.20
October 30.22
December 30.22-30.23
March (1953) 30.22-30.24
May 30.23
July 30.10
October 30.10
December 30.10
United Press.

Pepper Prices Up

New York, Aug. 18.

Spot supplies in the pepper market developed a considerable strength following the reports that additional imports had been rejected by the Government under the good drug act regulations.

Spot market was quoted at \$1.81-1.85 a pound. Stocks awaiting release were quoted at \$1.68 to \$1.72, the first half of August shipment \$1.68 to \$1.72, straight August shipment \$1.74, September \$1.56 and October \$1.51 a pound, all on an ex-dock basis.—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local exchange market at the following rates:

£1 Sterling (per \$1) 15.69
Indonesian guilder (per 100) 15.69
Singapore dollar (per 100) 15.69
Sri Lanka (per 100) 15.69

Copra Prices

New York, Aug. 18.

Prices of copra were quoted today at \$110.00 a short ton, nominal. Coconut oil was quoted today at 6 cents a pound, nominal. United Press.

Election Campaigns In U.S. Bring Out Issue Of Tariff Problems

Reciprocal Trade Pacts Rank Prominently

Washington, Aug. 18.

Diplomatic interest in United States political campaigns tends to concentrate on developments affecting future trends of international commerce as dollar exchange problems become increasingly difficult for many countries of Europe, Latin America and Asia.

In many Embassies the international balance of payments apparently causes more interest than even the security phase of the campaigns.

The latest trade figures here do not portend any trend toward permanent narrowing of the "dollar gap" caused by the large surplus of United States exports over imports. Neither the Democratic nor the Republican platform has given any certain assurance that the United States will soon expand the total volume of normal imports from abroad, although the Democratic platform is nearly in line with the international viewpoint than the Republican.

In June, United States exports totalled \$1,182,300,000 and imports \$860,200,000. In the same month last year exports were \$1,206,000,000 and imports \$930,200,000. For 1951 United States exports totalled \$15,030,400,000 and imports \$10,097,000,000.

As the large surplus of United States exports over imports is made possible chiefly by foreign aid programmes the foreign point of view is that there can be no permanent normalisation of world trade until the United States is ready to absorb a larger volume of exports.

TARIFF PROTECTION

While President Truman recently opposed many moves toward tariff protection on individual commodities such as watches and garlic, foreign opinion will remain uneasy about a possible revival of "protectionism" in the United States until the completion of the next Congress is known. All tariff and revenue measures are initiated in the House of Representatives.

If Governor Adlai Stevenson and a Democratic Congress are elected, diplomats expect only moves in 1953 to extend the Reciprocal Bargaining Act and proposals for higher tariffs on individual commodities would encounter resistance except in extraordinary cases.

However, diplomats noted that the Democratic platform also favoured expanding export markets for United States manufactured and agricultural products. Consequently, a liberal import policy would not by itself result in early balancing of trade. A new Democratic administration would, therefore, have to consider special measures to increase the volume of imported raw materials, through stockpiling civilian as well as military commodities or the "balance of payments" credits.

EISENHOWER PLATFORM

General Dwight D. Eisenhower, if elected Republican President, would have to implement the following declaration of the Republican platform:

"We favour the expansion of mutually advantageous world trade. To further this objective we shall press for the elimination of discriminatory practices against our exports such as preferential tariffs, monetary and licence restrictions and other arbitrary devices. Our reciprocal trade agreements will be extended into and maintained on the basis of free reciprocity and to safeguard our domestic enterprises and the payrolls of our workers against unfair import competition."

Senator Robert A. Taft, who will still be the Republican leader in the Senate, said before the Convention that he did not favour a general tariff revision but supported protective action in cases where industry is "imperilled."

Governor Stevenson, if elected, would have at his disposal the recent report by the President's Material Policies Commission which contained some novel proposals regarding United States foreign commercial policies. This huge five-volume report is being analyzed in many diplomatic and political quarters.

The report said that "overriding national interest points clearly to the entry of materials into the United States."

The Commission believes that the reciprocal trade programme should be carried forward and its authority expanded to include the power to reduce duties on raw materials in which the United States is deficient.

The Commission specifically recommended "that permanent legislation entirely independent of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act be enacted, authorising the unilateral elimination of import duty on any industrial material in either a crude or refined form whenever it is determined that the United States is or is expected to become substantially dependent on imports of the material and that such action is in accord with national interest."—United Press.

Gold Price Soaring In Paris

Paris, Aug. 18.

Prices of gold and foreign banknotes climbed to their highest peaks for some months here today.

British pound notes on the black market rose to 1,025 francs—their highest since the end of April, and 25 francs more than last week.

United Press one dollar bills were being quoted at 424 francs against 415 at the end of last week.

On the free gold market, the one kilo fine gold ingot jumped 6,000 francs to 525,000 francs from 519,000 francs.

Prices in official trading, however, were being sought as high as 520,000 francs. These were the best prices since April 17.

The renewed advances were generally attributed to reports discussing the possibility of a higher "official" price for gold, budget and the rising trend of food prices in France.—Reuter.

London Tin Market

London, Aug. 18.

The tin market was steady on a turnover of 60 tons of which 20 tons were for cash. Prices closed today at the end of the official morning session as follows:

Spot tin, buyer 554
Spot tin, seller 554
Business done at 554-555
Three-months tin, buyer 538
Three-months tin, seller 540
Business done at 539
Settlement 525
United Press.

New York Stock Exchange

New York, Aug. 18.

In the stock market, dealings totalled 1,000,000 shares. Of 1,101 issues traded, 178 advanced, 701 declined and 222 declined. Oil losses extended to over 4 points. Steel, cast fractionally mostly. Motors lost a point or so.—United Press.

London Rubber Futures

London, Aug. 18.

Prices of rubber futures closed today as follows:—
No. 1 rubber, in pence per lb. 25-20 1/2
September 25-20 1/2
October/December 25-19 1/2
January/March 25-18 1/2
April/June 25-17 1/2
United Press.

DEMAND FOR SULPHUR

Washington, Aug. 18.

Foreign demand for concentrated sulphur for crop dusting is growing, the Government reported.

In the first half of this year the Government granted export licences for 17,374,000 pounds for crop dusting and 11,446,000 pounds of cotton dusting formulations containing 20 per cent or more sulphur. Largest quantities went to Mexico, Brazil, Peru, Syria and Egypt.—Associated Press.

SASSOON'S SELL SHARES IN LONDON

London, Aug. 18.

The Sassoon family of millionaires have liquidated a share deal which lets the public in for the first time on a tiny corner of its worldwide interests.

In its African Mercantile Co., it is selling £100,000 of 5% and a half per cent Preference shares at 10s. to the British Shareholders Trust for market later this month.

Besides this, the trust also takes £100,000 worth of new Preference, plus £75,000 of new 10s. Ordinary shares at 10s.—also for putting on the markets.

It is the family's 90-year-old City mercantile firm of David Sassoon and Co. which comes in on the deal.

This is the firm once headed by the late Sir Philip Sassoon, cousin of Sir Victor, governing director of the E.D. Sassoon Banking Co.

Today there is no direct link between these two great family businesses—the merchants in London and the bankers who last year shifted control of their net-work from Hongkong to the Bahamas.

The merchants, David Sassoon and Co., took over control of African Mercantile more than 30 years ago when it was nearly derelict.

Under their mastery it has prospered greatly in its trading in Kenya, Tanganyika, and Zanzibar.

Now African Mercantile is a £1,000,000-plus affair, handling everything from textiles to lemonade. Last year it made peak profits of £240,000. It hopes to pay 15% dividends.

After the deal is rounded off the David Sassoon firm will still own more than 44% of the shares—enough to keep effective control.

And David Sassoon and Co.? It is now owned mostly by women relatives of the late Sir Philip. One of the large shareholders is his sister, Lady Cholmondeley. Her son, Lord John, works for the family firm.—Daily Express Service.

New York Sugar Futures

New York, Aug. 18.

World sugar futures closed today unchanged to six lower with sales totalling 160 contracts.

Contract No. 6 closed today two to five points lower with sales totalling 385 contracts.

Prices closed today as follows:—
Contract No. 4 (World)
September 3.97
October 3.97
January (1953) 3.97 asked
March 3.98 bid
May 3.98 bid
July 3.98 bid
September 3.98 bid
Spot 3.98
United Press.

Newsprint In Canada

Montreal, Aug. 18.

Canadian newsprint production in July amounted to 420,559 tons, an increase of 23,084 tons or 5.7 per cent, compared with production in July, 1951, the Newspaper Association of Canada announced yesterday.

Canada's July newsprint exports were 423,250 tons, an increase of 40,004 tons—8.1 per cent—compared with July, 1951. Shipments to the United States were 408,692 tons, six per cent higher than in July, 1951, and 84.8 per cent of all July, 1952, exports.—Associated Press.

Italian Tobacco Sales Up

New York, Aug. 18.

Italy is selling increasing amounts of fine-cured tobacco in the European market, the Associated Press reported.

Although Italy has produced tobacco—used chiefly in cigarettes—only a few years, net output last year was about 21,000,000 pounds, these sources said.

The Italian tobacco, they said, "has many desirable smoking characteristics."—Associated Press.

ROYAL INTEROCEAN LINES

SAILINGS	To
"VAN HOUTE" Aug. 22	Singapore, Djakarta, Palembang, Medan, Deli & Penang
"TJIVANGI" Sept. 2	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TJIPONDOK" Sept. 7	Djakarta, Tjirebon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"STRAAT" Sept. 9	Japan, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & N. America
"MAKASSAR" Sept. 9	Japan, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & N. America
"BOISSEVAIN" Sept. 9	Japan, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & N. America
"TJIMENTENG" Sept. 10	P. I. Ports, Singapore, R. & S. Africa, Malabar, Aden, India
"TJILUWAI" Sept. 10	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Deli
"VAN HEUTZ" Sept. 13	Djakarta, Tjirebon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TJIRADANE" Sept. 13	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Deli
"TJIRAMPUR" Sept. 23	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Deli
"TJIPONDOK" Oct. 2	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TJIRADANE" Oct. 3	Japan, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & N. America
"STRAAT" Oct. 9	Japan, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & N. America
"MAKASSAR" Oct. 10	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Deli
"VAN HEUTZ" Oct. 10	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Deli
"TJIRADANE" Oct. 12	Djakarta, Tjirebon, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TJILUWAI" Oct. 12	Singapore, Penang & Belawan Deli
"TJIPONDOK" Oct. 17	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TJIRADANE" Oct. 17	Japan, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & N. America
"STRAAT" Oct. 21	Japan, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & N. America
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